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Self-realization means . . .

- 1) Understanding yourself
- 2) Knowing what you want in life
- 3) Attaining your goals





During these years of growth  
I learned that my future  
Depends only on me.  
My vision has grown so much  
That I can see everything  
And teach others what I've seen.  
These years have changed my  
outlook,  
They've changed my ideals,  
They've changed my life.  
All the hours spent  
In my self-analysis  
Will remain with me  
Until I finally achieve  
self-realization.





"One more time to live and I have made it mine.  
Leave the wise to write for they write worldly  
rhymes.

And he who wants to fight begins the end of time  
For I have riched more than these,  
For I have riches more than these."

"One More Time to Live" (Every Good Boy Deserves Fa-  
vour) by John Lodge









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TEACHERS  
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FAMILIES!



Joanna Hock, ISTA President and Chris Choncoff take a determined stand.

Dick Darko and Miles Dunscombe, MCTA President, talk over strike issues.

## TEACHERS STRIKE FOR RIGHTS

Students in Merrillville had an unexpected added attraction to their summer vacation. The teachers went on strike, thus providing the students with two more weeks of summer fun.

The rumor of a strike was heard throughout the halls of Merrillville High School during the spring months before school let out. A tenseness seemed to abound in the air. But, would the teachers be able to pull off a strike that would prove prosperous in the end? There was a question in every one's mind if school would start on time in the fall.

The budget was not able to support the newly hired teachers, which meant they would have to go. That prompted the class size to nearly double. The teachers that remained were expected to carry almost a double load, without the slightest increase in wages. And elementary school teachers did not have any preparation time to plan their teaching schedule. These were the hot issues of the 1972 Merrillville teachers strike.

Although it may have been fun and games for the students, the mood of the striking teachers was one of determination. They took a stand for what they believed in, and worked whole-heartedly to achieve. They assembled everyday to bargain, and compromise. After nine days of this, the strike was ended. The teachers took a loss as far as money goes. Even though the teachers received a one and a half percent raise, they lost four days pay. But they came out victorious on two other counts: no reduction in staff and elementary teachers will have time to prepare their classes.

Students enjoyed the extra vacation time in the beginning of the year. But one thing they didn't count on was an extended school year. Another thing students didn't anticipate was continued hard feelings between the teachers and school board. While the threat of another teacher strike began building during the spring, students wondered if they would again be the eventual losers.





Different emotions are exhibited by striking teachers as they picket.

Doyle McCallister, Ed Case, and Joanna Hock discuss progress made by the teachers.



# SENIORS UNDEFEATED FOR THIRD YEAR



Pam Simmons hesitates on which way to run with the ball while Alice Viczai is ready to assist.



Jr. Dee Vatterrodt clenches her fists with anger.



We're NUMBER ONE! and the Senior powder puff team proved to be number one with their victory over the Juniors.

The one football game of the year is played when positions are reversed. The guys get to sit back and relax in the bleachers while the gals play 'rough 'n tough' out on the field. Finally, after numerous practices, broken bones, sore muscles, and comparing bruises, the girls are ready to really see which class is the toughest. All the coaches giving last minute pep talks, warming up on the field, and the kick off. Seniors anxiously await the outcome of the first game. Sophomores lose by a few points to Juniors. Seniors to play Juniors. Seniors won last year against graduating class, and prove to still be on top by winning this year. Pam Simmons & Debbie Lazork were voted most valuable players of the year.



Sophomores effort is not enough to defeat the Juniors, but they believe next year could be a victory.

# SPIRITS RISES AT PEP SESSIONS



Cheerleaders show spirit in school song.

Sue Pappas, Teri Ledwinka, and Sandy Salerno express mixed emotions at the last football pep session.

Mary Stroia presents Mrs. Orelup with roses.



The last pep session of the football season is always the saddest, especially for the seniors. Cheerleaders cheer a little harder; the students yell a little louder; and the team tries a little harder! Everyone tries their best to encourage the team on to another victory. Pep club president proudly announces the Queen Candidates, and the Mr. Football candidates are announced by Coach Demaree. Excitement and tension continue to mount at the homecoming game until, at last, the final "two" are named. Our final "two" this year are Queen Sharon Ashley and Mr. Football Cory Webster.

Coach Demaree outlines strategy for game.



# 'QUACK THAT BRICK WALL' PLACE JUNIORS FIRST FOR SECOND STRAIGHT YEAR

A happy and exciting mood filled the air as the bonfire blazed. Couples, parents and teachers made up the crowd that gathered around to watch the bonfire. The fine drizzle, falling that night, could not extinguish the romantic mood that prevailed throughout the air. Many couples took advantage of the cozy setting the bonfire provided.

The sophomore, junior, and senior floats are all a creation of great imagination and a lot of hard work. First the theme is picked, then rides to see how other classes were progressing, asking for donations of napkins, chicken wire, toilet paper, and spray paint, and brownie-ing-it-up with teachers who might be judges all fit into the schedule of float constructing.

The floats, the bonfire, the powder puff game, the homecoming game against Hobart, and the dance all proved that self-realization exists among the students at Merrillville High.





The class of '75's float places third.



The junior class spirit comes through again, having its entry place first.



These cheerleaders demonstrate how to smile and say, 'CHEESE'.



Seniors tried, but couldn't do it. They only succeed in placing second.

## SHARON AND CORY REIGN

The crowning of King and Queen candidates is always the highlight of Homecoming activities. The four Queen candidates are chosen as week before the game by the entire school. King candidates are chosen by their fellow football players. A busy week of picture taking and practicing the ceremony. Half-time at game, the field is cleared, Queen candidates arrive in convertibles and are escorted on the field, where they are joined by King candidates. It was a cold 36° degrees and a fine drizzle was falling. Coach Demaree announces Mr. Football 1972-1973 is Cory Webster and the 1972-1973 Homecoming Queen is Sharon Ashley. Tears of joy are shed by Sharon as she's crowned Queen by Lynda Kloth, Homecoming Queen last year. Sharon and Cory are joined by the traditional kiss. Together they will reign at the Homecoming Dance to follow Saturday night. A win at the Homecoming games always makes for a more enjoyable evening at the Homecoming Dance. Showing your spirit at the game and coming to the Homecoming dance combine to make a feeling of great self-realization.



Mr. Football, Cory Webster, and Queen, Sharon Ashley are all smiles as they pose together for the first time as King and Queen of 1972-73.

Homecoming candidates are Sandy Salerno, Cory Webster, Joe Draper, Teri Ledwinka, Stan Marovich, Barb Dunciu, Dale Brooks, and Sharon Ashley.



Bravo! yells players on sideline as they back their team



The reigning Queen, Sharon Ashley, is driven around the track as the band plays "Let Me Call You Sweetheart."



Athletic Director, Mr. Schmidt, presents Cory Webster with football signed by the entire football team.



"My what large muscles you have!" ex-claims Kris Kloth.



This girl is all smiles as she dances.



## DISNEYLAND SETS MOOD

Gloria Garson and her escort arrive at the dance in awe.

The theme of the H.C. dance was "The Wonderful World of Disney." The cartoonish atmosphere provided a fun-filled mood. Although few couples attended, the evening was still a memorable one. The band "Cross Town Traffic" set the romantic mood by playing for the dance. After the dance, the couples went their separate ways for dinner. The exciting weekend was ended by a goodnight kiss.



Taking a break from dancing are John Wardel and Mark Rohder with their dates.





In the mist of balloons, Mr. Football, Cory Webster and Dale Brooks pose for a picture with their dates Jackie Smith and Kris Kloth.



Kris Jasiak sniffs the fragrance of Vicki Connors' bouquet.



"Look Ma, no cavities!"  
shows Dan Penovich.



These couples take a stroll  
through Disneyland.

# JUNIORS PRESENT "SEE HOW THEY RUN"



Jeff Vagnone pleads with Nick Psimos to put his hands up.



Makeup man applies hot lips to Jeff Vagnone.



"Now where did I put my pants?" wonders Mike Vale.



Lisa Catlow relaxes in her chair.



Mike Vale can't believe Lorri Black drank the whole thing.

The Junior play, "See How They Run" by Philip King proved to be a great success. Joseph Morrow directs as Sherrie Keehn student directs. The play ran from November 16 through November 18, 1972. The story centers around the vicar's wife with the plot complicating as the characters are introduced.

Jeff Vagnone reacts to the news Beth Curtis tells him.



Bottom row: Jeff Vagnone Middle: Lori Black, Mike Vale, Lisa Catlow, Nick Psimios, Beth Curtis. Top: Sherrie Keehn, Dale Askren, Mike Reinhart, Mark Altomere, and Mr. Morrow.





Sue Jonaitis and beau, Buzz Christoff discover kissing 'Eskimo style' can be fun.



A couple hunts for their names on stockings.

## "VISIONS OF SUGAR PLUMS"

"Visions of Sugar Plums" was the theme of this year's Christmas Turn-a-bout dance. Once a year the girls get a chance to ask their favorite beau out on a date. The only drawback is that the girls also have to pay for the tickets. A personalized stocking was hung for each couple that attended. "Fluid Motion" provided the music. The couples then go their separate ways for dinner after the dance.

Sue Surwick and Bob Mekola dance to tunes of "Fluid Motion."





Robyn Tucker and date dance the evening away.



Couples collect at tables to chat and make plans for getting together after the dance.



Couples take a break to munch on some Christmas cookies and punch.

Greg Adams and Patti Lynch escape the crowds to have a quiet minute together.



Jim Faulkner listens as Sherri Bly whispers sweet nothings in his ear.





## XMAS CONCERT SOLD OUT

Music provided by the band added just the right note to the concert.



Santa remembers "all good" choir directors.

Mark Lazart and Linda Whitworth sing a Xmas duet.

The Winter Band and Choir concert was held in the new auditorium for the first time ever. They performed to a capacity crowd with standing room only. The pom pom girls, dressed as Christmas toys, assisted the band in providing enjoyable entertainment. The Choirs and Vocalteens, singing of Christmases past and present lived up to their high reputation. A very attentive audience listened as Linda Wentworth and Mark Lazart sang a duet. To top off the superior entertainment, Santa slid down the chimney with his bag full of candy for all.



"Ho! Ho! Ho!", yells Santa as he passes out candy canes to the audience.



Some of Santa's elves skip merrily to the band as they make toys.



Christmas toys march to the beat of "Babes in Toyland" provided by the band.

Christmas toys loosen up some of their kinks before being loaded up in Santa's bag for their Christmas Eve ride in Santa's sleigh.





First place juniors show the spirit of Storybook Land.

## JUNIORS WIN SPIRIT WEEK



Sophomore Patty Fetsko has spirit of the '50's.



Buffy Ditter, dat you?



Snow White poses with five of the seven dwarfs.

# 'MEDICAL CENTER' PLACES SENIORS IN SECOND



Sharrann Simmons finds Tootsie Pops to be the best cure for any illness.

Spirit Week began a bit slow for the Seniors this year, but they soon caught up. The Seniors placed second with their theme of Medical Center. If there seemed to be a lack of enthusiasm in decorating the hall, it certainly wasn't present when Seniors dressed up. Doctors, nurses, and patients filled the halls. Seniors stuck the Devil with more pins than any other class.



Patient Sue Pappas rests comfortably as nurse Colleen Healey chauffeurs.

Angels of Mercy, Cheryl Carlson, Cathy Bikos, Sue Zelenak, Charlene Kostelnik, and Barb Taseff show Senior Spirit.





Seniors participate in their last pep session.



Gorgeous Jim Rosendeul makes a pass at Mike Reinhart as others watch.



Mike Deppe introduces 'doctor of the house.'



Storybook Land Juniors cream Devil, Mike Reinhart.



## PEP SESSIONS SUPPLY SPIRIT

Bobby socks and pony tails dominate the Sophomore skit.



Former Basketball Sweetheart, Denise Dunklau congratulates Cindy and Joel.

Joel Draper shows surprise at being named Mr. Basketball.



All-week activities demonstrating the spirit of each class lead up to half-time at the basketball homecoming game. Decorated halls, dressing up on specified days, and skits at the pep session were some of the activities of Spirit Week. The climax of the entire week was at half time during the basketball game. Tension mounted as the candidates for Mr. Basketball and Basketball Sweetheart entered. Applause rose and tears fell as Cindy Swanson and Joel Draper were announced as the reigning couple at the game. Mr. Bovard presented the Spirit Stick to Dave Atzhorn, the Junior Class president for the class having the most spirit.

Homecoming candidates: Dave Atzhorn, Jenny O'Brien, Tom Schmidt, Debbie Lipke, Sweetheart Cindy Swanson, Mr. Basketball Joel Draper, Barb Dunklau, Stan Marovich, Ann Traina, and Dave Sullivan.



## CINDY SWANSON, JOEL DRAPER SERVE AS ROYALTY FOR HOMECOMING

Cindy and Joel take time out to congratulate each other with the traditional kiss.

Principal, Mr. Bovard, presents Jr. Class President, Dave Atzhorn with Spirit Stick.





Deputy-Governor Danforth (Don Pittman) tries to persuade Elizabeth Proctor (Cindy Wineinger) to speak with her husband.



Abigail Williams (Denice Scheidt) comforts Mary Warren (Debby Wardell).

## SENIORS PRESENT "THE CRUCIBLE." FIRST DRAMATIC PLAY AT MHS



1st row L to R: Dana Shocaroff, Mike Georgilis, Renee Pollak, Bill Goetze, Debby Wardell, Kevin Watts, Denice Scheidt, Raymond Gran director, Kathy Laskody student director, Don Pittman, Larry Johnson, Rich Fileff, Irene Ozug, Jeff Vagnone. 2nd row: John Vassil, Mark Altomere, Ken Denta, Tim Milo, Sherry Graves, Kathy Hrezo, Mary Ann Letters, Barb Karr.



Comedy is found backstage of a dramatic play.



Tituba, John Willard, and Sarah Good speak of Satan's power in Salem.



A dramatic ending highlights the play.

This scene in "The Crucible" portrays one of the many famous witch trials of Salem.

In keeping with its tradition of presenting exciting plays, the class of 1973 presented the dramatic play "The Crucible" in the new auditorium on February 23, 24, and 25. "The Crucible" is the story of the witchcraft trials in Salem, 1692, and its affects on the Proctor family.

The class of '73 has shown its versatility thru the plays it has presented in the last three years. Two years ago it presented "Many Moons," the first children's theatre ever presented at MHS. Last year it produced a comedy, and this year it has produced the first drama. Although it was the first drama to be staged at the high school, the crowd reception shows it probably won't be the last.







# SPORTS

# PIRATES BEATING NO. 1 IN CONFERENCE

Once again summer training began for a new football season and with it came the sweat, heat, aggravation, and effort every player had to go through.

For the first time M'ville began their season with a football-o-rama, sending their hopes high.

M'ville faced Wallace for the first time with a big victory; not only did they succeed in winning the game, but also in acquiring the traditional milkcan.

The highlight of the football season was when M'ville victoriously conquered Hobart with a score of 25-7.

Making LSC all stars this year were Cory Webster and Ken Dike.

A successful junior half-back who appeared as being one of the most valuable players was Bob Uremovich. Bob was announced as being leading scorer in the LSC with a total of 42 points. Uremovich had over 800 yards and 119 carries.

Dale Brooks, senior fullback, finished eighth in the conference with a total of 24 points.

## VARSTY FOOTBALL RECORD

1972

Merrillville	6	Lew Wallace	6
Merrillville	6	Crown Point	13
Merrillville	20	Griffith	0
Merrillville	7	Portage	26
Merrillville	6	Lowell	9
Merrillville	6	Highland	7
Merrillville	21	Calumet	23
Merrillville	25	Hobart	7
Merrillville	6	Munster	18
Merrillville	32	Lake Central	14



Bottom Row: Richard Fileff, manager, K. Magurean, C. Brumley, L. Stevens, D. St. Hamain, D. Seitzinger, T. Hanson, J. Noel, J. Vagnone, C. Roy, N. Psimos, R. Porras, G. Adams, R. Blankenbaker, M. Luptak, R. Stevenson. Middle Row: T. Kacmar, T. Thursby, B. Uremovich, B. Mellinger, A. Kyres, D. Smelko, R. Mellinger, S. Marovich, D. Gill, P. Taber, T. Trakas, C. Dennis, C. Ray, S. Barbauld, T. Hackett, P. Hlodnicki, D. Brooks, J. Faulkner, D. Dike, A. Stoikowitz, G. Stobough. Top Row: Coach Demaree, G. Ostrozovich, T. Collins, J. Kuzma, B. Dinsmore, J. Rosendaul, J. Kyres, J. Kissenger, K. Watts, J. Draper, C. Balcerak, S. Samardzua, T. Schmidt, J. Hansen, C. Webster, Coach Dinsmore, J. Rosendaul, J. Kyres, J. Kissenger, K. Watts, J. Draper, C. Balcerak, S. Samardzua, T. Schmidt, J. Hansen, C. Webster, Coach Patz, & Coach Armotrout. Not pictured is Coach Molchan.



Senior Ron Blankenbaker carries ball for extra yardage.



Jim Faulkner questioning about the statistics of the game with Gary Stobaugh.

Giving a few pointers to a player is Coach Patz.



# UREMOVICH LEADING SCORER



Discussing the previous play are Rich Stevenson and Jeff Vagnone



Jim Kyres succeeds in tackling his opponent.



Cheering their team on to a touch down are Mary Stroia, Jackie Smith, mascot Donna Engle, and April Brumley.



Uremovich helps out St. Germain as he throws a pass.





Jim Rosendau makes a fantastic tackle for the fighting Pirates.



This season's statisticians for the Pirates were Linda Benson, Sue Chelovich, and Debbie Lazorik.



Another touchdown for Merrillville Pirates.

## J.V. ENDS TRUIMPHANT SEASON

Starting the season off with calisthenics in the hot summer sun, the first high school competition began. Practices after practices, new plays to learn all helped the J.V. season become an outstanding one. A sorrowful ending arose in the last game against Munster, beating M'ville 9-6, ending season with a record of 6-1-1.



Eddie Stevens runs for a big gain.



Bob Taseff skillfully dodges the opponents.

Merrillville	33	Grove Park	0
Merrillville	21	Griffith	18
Merrillville	33	Calumet	8
Merrillville	32	Lowell	0
Merrillville	34	Highland	0
Merrillville	32	Lake Central	18
Merrillville	28	Chesterton	12
Merrillville	6	Munster	0
Merrillville	28	Chesterton	12
Merrillville	6	Munster	0

Bill Veach, Jerry Light, and George Rudovich attentively watch the game.





Bottom row: J. Sheidt, V. Galanti, D. Schultz, E. Stevens, B. McCormick, S. Thomas, G. Washburn, J. Galos, B. Joleff, J. Wardell, M. Rhoder, M. Kucan. Middle row: P. Shirley, G. Rudovich, B. Turner, J. Light, B. Veach, B. Maresfo, J. Mann, B. Tharp, S. Christoff, M. Sperry, N. Nommensen, T. Karns, B. Dockweiler, M. Jones, R. Lunsford. Top row: L. Welch, D. Watts, M. Demmon, R. Moore, B. Equihera, K. Mehay, V. French, B. Taseff, M. Prochno, T. Hacker, D. Fossey, J. Pike, T. Rastociski, R. Keilm, and Coach Kaiser.



Mark Rohder attempts to break through the opposing team's line.

Players prepare for following play.

## OPTOMISTIC OUTLOOK FOR MHS



Coach Dailey yells instructions to his players.

MHS basketball team was led by captains Joe Draper and Stan Marovich. Disappointing endings, tearful crowds did not discourage the Pirates from trying their best to defeat their opponents. Those awful one point losses were enough to deflate any team's ego, but the Pirates still hung in there. The close games brought much enthusiasm to the fans, pep club, and parents.

Dave Atzorn was named most valuable player of the Pirate team. The team consisted of two seniors, eight juniors, and three sophomores, who compiled a record of 4-16.

For many this is just another season, but for the seniors it is the conclusion of their high school basketball.



Carry Carabine dribbles in for a lay-up.

Players aid each other in order to get a successful basket.



# BASKETBALL FUTURE



Donnie St. Germain illustrates the way of scoring two points.



Stan Marovich does his thing in blocking his opponent's shot.

Front kneeling: Elaine Weisman, Richard Cardenas, Coach Dailey, Tom Haberkorn, Norena Kuhn. Back Row (L to R): Stan Marovich, Carry Carabine, Tim Rostoski, Tim Harker, Tom Schmidt, Jim Jeffries, Pat Shuster, Joel Draper, Dan Sullivan, Dave Atzorn, Dave Sullivan, Gary Rogers, Donnie St. Germain.





Coach Dailey goes over last minute game plans with the team.



Pirates desperately grasp for the ball.



Pat Shuster blocks his opponent from scoring two.

Merrillville	63	Hammond Tech	91
Merrillville	71	Hammond	84
Merrillville	55	Bishop Noll	69
Merrillville	57	Griffith	66
Merrillville	75	Rogers M. City	97
Merrillville	77	Calumet	59
Merrillville	57	Andrean	72
Merrillville	61	Lew Wallace	76
Merrillville	75	Hobart	77
Merrillville	50	Roosevelt	81
Merrillville	78	Munster	70
Merrillville	51	Lake Central	60
Merrillville	56	Lowell	57
Merrillville	72	Portage	91
Merrillville	58	Crown Point	67
Merrillville	41	Chesterton	46
Merrillville	57	Lafayette Jefferson	94



Coach Dailey instructs players on new techniques.



Dave Sullivan shoots for two.



Tom Schmidt shoots to score against his opponent.



"Oh, oh, now where?", Dave Atzorn asks himself.

# JUNIOR VARSITY ON THEIR WAY UP



Junior Gary Rogers attempts to shoot for two.



Dale Weisman, Tim Rastovski, and Greg Rister all scramble for the ball.

Going through excessive practice made the team get acquainted with tough competition. Double dribbling, traveling, running up and down court, getting fouled, jump balls, lay-ups, free throws, shooting for two all made the season an exciting one. With the determination of winning and the thought of making the season a successful one, each player puts forth his very best efforts.



Center Randy Pettit is fouled in the act of shooting.



Coach Vermillion gives a few words of advice



Back row: Coach Vermillion, Bill French, Randy Pettit, Randy Mellinger, Dale Weismann, Chris Reinhart.  
 Front Row: Greg Rister, Tim Krisko, Jon Shield, Bob Solivais.

Merrillville	47	Hammond	38
Tech	35		
Merrillville	37	Hammond	47
		Bishop Noll	37
Merrillville	41	Griffith	43
Merrillville	47	Michigan	
Merrillville	42	City Rogers	40
Merrillville	60	Calumet	45
Merrillville	39	Andrean	42
Merrillville	48	Wallace	42
Merrillville	50	Hobart	35
Merrillville	42	Gary	
		Roosevelt	47
Merrillville	48	Munster	47
Merrillville	64	Highland	39
Merrillville	40	Lake	
		Central	30
Merrillville	87	Lowell	43
Merrillville	45	Portage	40
Merrillville	54	Crown	
		Point	36
Merrillville	51	Chesterton	45
Merrillville	42	Lafayette	44



Tim Rastovski clears the boards against Crown Point.

Sophomore Chris Reinhart steams in for a lay up.



# TRACK TEAM RUNS SPRINTS AND HURDLES



Led by Jay Wilkins, members of the track team get into shape for the long season ahead.

Row 1 (L to R): Randy Pettet, Tim Schmidt, Tim Harker, Mark Rohder, Tim Rastovski, Steve Thomas, Andrew Georgillis, Dan Pullin, John Vician, Paul White. Row 2: John Maddack, Joe Danyi, Mike Vowell, Dave Smelko, Mark Pieroni, Milt Bonich, Jeff Kissinger, Kent Lamb, Jay Wilkins, Bob Uremovich, Tom Miller, Mgr. Row 3: Coach Lafey Armontrout, Bill McCormick, Dean Gill, Bob Hamilton, Mike Deer, Mike Prochno, John Stanton, Carl Waters, Peter Dakich, Dan Stanton, Mark Alsep, Bill Trakas, David Watts, Don Metcalf, Randy Mellenger, Andy Kyres, Bob Lain, Neil Nommensen, Robert Lenchis, James Mann, Joe Boice, Rick Stevenson, Eric Torp, Steve Wirtes, and Coach Jim Wagner



# TOWARD SUCCESSFUL SEASON



Bob Deer practices high hurdling indoors to improve his speed.



Track workouts are supposed to be hard, but you never can tell what will happen when Coach Armontrout isn't around.

March	8	Munster indoor
	16	Munster Invitational
	20	Munster relay
	31	Calumet relays
April	8	Homestead girls
	9	Jaws 5 & Griffith
	11	Crown Point & Lake Central
	14	Endrean relays
	16	Munster
	19	Calumet
	24	Little City Calumet
	26	Chesterton relays
	28	Delphi relays
		Rensselaer relay
		Griffith Invitational
May	8	Clark relays
	12	Conference Griffith
	17	Sectionals

The trackmen are looking forward to a good season. They're conditioning and preparing to be the victors in the conference. Jumping hurdles, being the first to cross the finish line, leg cramps, and girl time keepers are familiar surroundings a track man experiences. Competing against other schools and the self-satisfaction of succeeding makes every trackman more enthusiastic and eager to continue doing his best. All of this and more is what it's all about . . . self-realization.



Stretching their muscles helps the track team get into shape.

# HARRIERS SPRINT TO SUCCESSFUL SEASON



Top Row: Ron Rogers, Brian Christy, Mike Vowell, Kevin Perryman, Kent Lamb, Coach Schmidt Bottom Row: Carl Waters, John Vician, Doug Flanagan, Jim Bishop, manager Dave Taylor

MHS 15	Wirt	48
MHS 23	Andrean	34
MHS 154	Highland	24
	Calumet	70
	Lowell	96
MHS 59	Noll	58
	Hobart	23
MHS 16	H. Morton	46
MHS 37	Griffith	18
	Lowell	100
	Lake Central	115
MHS 45	C. Point	27
	Calumet	61
	Lake Central	121
MHS 43	Portage	20
MHS 18	Chesterton	37

Going though an every day work-out keeps the team in shape.



Mike Vowell



Ron Rogers



Brian Clegg



The hot sweaty practices and running for miles at a time was just half of the hard work-out the Cross Country team had to go through. Running to Miller Beach was one of the destinations the Harriers had to sprint to. With the new coach, Len Schmidt, the team still maintained a good season.

Merrillville's Cross Country team not only did well during the season, but won the Valpo Cross Country Invitational Meet. The team finished fourth in the Lake Suburban Con-

ference. Qualifying for Sectionals, the Harriers finished fifth out of 18 teams. With outstanding effort, Mike Vowell qualified for regionals. He finished second out of 56 runners in the Lake Suburban Conference meet. With all the running and strenuous work put out by the Cross Country team, their season ended up with a satisfactory record.

Competing and participating in Cross Country bring out self-realization in yourself.

Kevin Perryman



Jim Bishop



Doug Flanagan



# WRESTLERS PLACE SECOND AT VALPARAISO TOURNEY



Sophomore Mike Prochno sizes up his opponent.



Ken Dike breakdowns his opponent during a regular season's meet. Dike's wrestling career led him to sectional, regional, and participation in state. Hopefully, next year Ken Dike will reign as the number one wrestler in the state, as he has one more year of eligibility.



Bottom Row (L to R): Mike Prochno, Jim Mann, Larry Swanson, George Kostides, Mark Staniger, Rick Voyles, Bill Hebert, Tim Wittemore.  
Back Row: Don Zona, Tim Carns, Charles Ray, Bob Dinsmore, Cory Webster, Ken Dike, Coach Kaiser.



Jim Mann attacks his opponent with a determination that he can't be stopped.



Charles Ray works his way around his opponent in order to get situated for a pin.



Senior George Kostides works his way to pin his opponent for six points.

Getting in condition for wrestling: losing weight, dieting, calisthenics, watching calories—this all sums up the discipline, sacrifice and hard work involved in wrestling. Jim Mann and Ken Dike advanced on to regionals while the matmen finished the season with a record of 5-1-6.



Mark Stanger works his way through a cradle to pin his opponent.

Senior Cory Webster prepares to take down his opponent.

Larry Swanson shows who's boss.



Merrillville 24	E. Griffith	20
Merrillville 33	Chesterton	20
Merrillville 18	L. Central	30
Merrillville 57	R. Forest	0
Merrillville 43	Lowell	16
Merrillville 23	Hammond Gayill	20
Merrillville 2	Highland	62
Merrillville 44	E. Gary	0
Merrillville 39	Calumet	16
Merrillville 16	Portage	38
Merrillville 21	Munster	32
Merrillville 23	Cr. Point	32

# JV COMPLETES SUCCESSFUL SEASON



Ed Stevens concentrates on pinning his opponent.



Jim Hansen takes hold of his opponent causing him to lose his balance for the take down.



Junior Dave Fargo grasps his opponent's leg in order to pin him.



Aggression is shown on Bob Crouch's face as he pins his opponent.

Merrillville	39	Griffith	24
Merrillville	45	Chesterton	21
Merrillville	39	L. Central	22
Merrillville	68	R. Forest	6
Merrillville	39	Lowell	18
Merrillville	25	Hammond Gavit	43

Merrillville	49	Highland	33
Merrillville	36	E. Gary	9
Merrillville	18	Calumet	21
Merrillville	51	Portage	39
Merrillville	28	Munster	12
		Cr. Point	31

Gaining experience through J.V. wrestling, J.V. grapplers lost only three meets out of twelve. Coach Dresher experienced his fourth winning season. With outstanding players, Bill & Tim Carns, Ed Stevens, Dave Fargo, and Bob Crouch, next year's wrestling team should have a victorious season.

With the thought of winning, competing, participating this brings out self-realization in every wrestler as he goes into the ring to face his opponent.

Each wrestler could feel the tension rising as he stepped out to face his opponent, hoping that he would be the victor. When the contest is over, each man, whether a winner or a loser, knew that he had proved something.



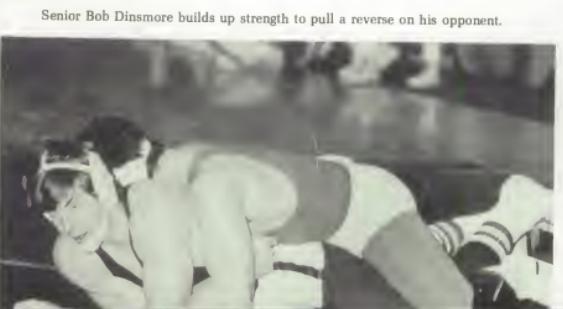
Front row (L to R): B. Taseff, D. Williams, V. Gallati, B. McCormick, E. Stevens, P. Turner. Back row: Coach Dresher, M. Luptak, J. Hansen, D. Fargo, B. Croach, S. Christoff, E. Bennett



Rich Netherton shakes hands with his opponent before they begin the match.



Sophomore Bob Taseff strives to turn his opponent over for better position, extra points, and a possible pin.



Senior Bob Dinsmore builds up strength to pull a reverse on his opponent.

# FRESHMEN LEAD GYMNASTS TO SUCCESSFUL SEASON



Front Row (L to R): C. Haberkorn, N. Kuhn, B. Pasa, P. Joyce, A. Brumley, D. O'Rear, L. Marshall. Row 2: C. Human, D. Titak, J. Carr, L. Oros, D. Warot, L. Wagoner, K. Johnston, L. Rudolph, K. Solich, J. Sohovich. Back Row: Coach Orelup, P. Weger, V. Tokarz, D. Bohling, A. Allendorf, R. Miller, J. Sikora, D. Hendricks, E. Leshk, S. Tipton, C. Oros, H. Hendricks, G. Gatlin.



Mrs. Orelup gives a word of encouragement to Donna Bohling.



April Brumley displays good form in her free-ex routine



Jody Sikora executes a lay-out straddle.

Sore muscles from limbering up, taped wrists and ankles are all a part of getting into condition. Learning new routines, putting advanced stunts together, both help gymnasts to compete in one of three levels: beginning, intermediate, or advanced. Freshman contribute greatly to the gymnastic team. Stitches and bruises don't discourage gymnasts from competing. Girls try to make Mrs. Orelup's final year a successful one.



Sophomore Paula Weger while doing her free-ex routine puts in an advanced move such as a back aerial.



Doing a cartwheel on the beam, displaying great form is Eileen Leshk.



With a puzzled look on her face, Heidi Hendricks leaps over the uneven bars.



Lisa Summers takes first in the 100 yard breast stroke.



M. Stroia, D. Lazorik, K. Bailey, and D. Lazorik take time out to catch their breath before proceeding with the work out.



After a warm up Coach gives a few pointers.

Girl's swim team goes through hard work outs to achieve a good season. Kicking, pulling, all help to develop strong arm and leg muscles. Relays, back stroke, breast stroke, butterfly, free style, are competitive swimming styles. Getting up at 8 o'clock on a Saturday morning shows a devoted enthusiasm towards swimming. The long, hard swimming practices all seem worthwhile when a victory against Valparaiso High School is achieved. Mrs. Ross, her first year coaching at MHS, instructs swimmers towards a memorable season. With the aid of boy swimmers teaching the girls flip turns front and back helped increase their swimming techniques.

With the goal of achieving new and better times, each girl does her best to make the team as triumph as possible. Diver Cindy Brown qualified for state competition, ranking second in regionals.



Mrs. Ross, Jill Sikora, Cindy Brown, (Divers)



Senior Diane Sohovich has good form doing free style.

# MERMAIDS SWIM TO VICTORY IN SECOND YEAR OF COMPETITION



Jill Sikora illustrates a front pike.



Top row: A. Viczai, T. Long, D. Demmon, R. Roganovich, C. Nelson, P. Veach, M. Ross, Coach. Middle: D. Smith, K. Adams, L. Summers, C. Combs, A. Dolk, K. Bailey. Bottom: M. Peters, G. Anderson, M. Stroia, D. Lazorik, J. Springer, D. Sohovich, L. Susanna.

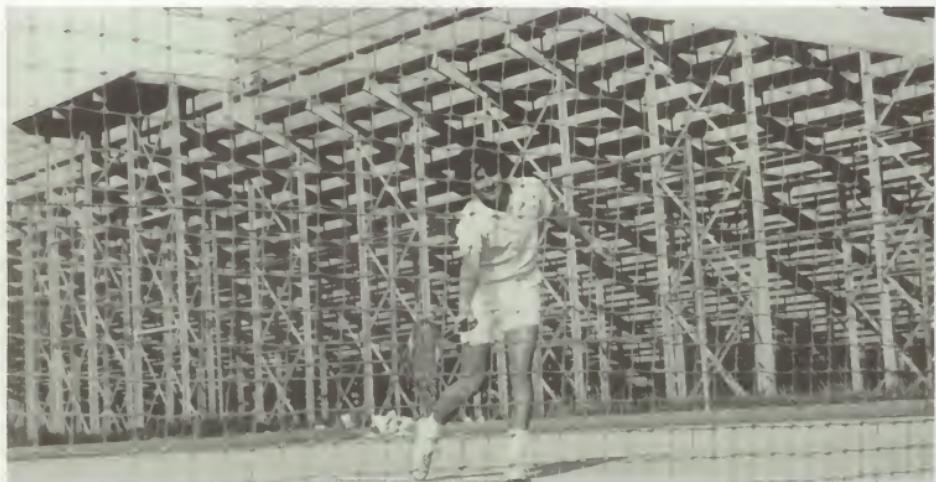


In the goal of achieving diving points, Cindy Brown illustrates a front dive.

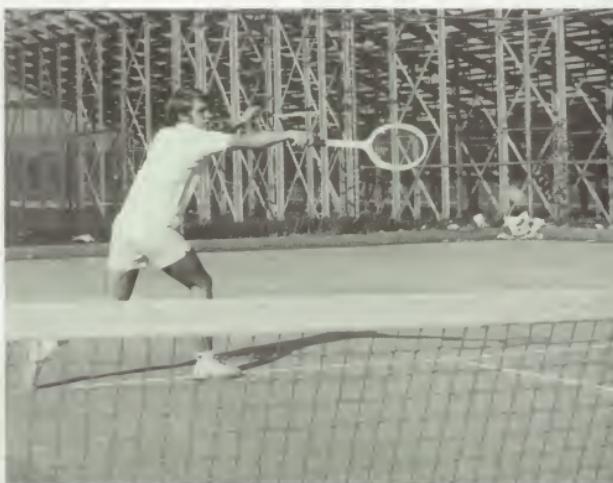
At the sound of the gun, the swimmers take off in a racing position.



## TENNIS TEAM MEETS COMPETITION



Chris Reinhart demonstrates the proper form in the difficult underarm swing in order to hit the ball back to his opponent.



With a tremendous attempt to return the tennis ball, Bill Touche uses one of the most difficult reaches for a successful back arm stroke.

Mark Peroni anxiously awaits his opponent's serve.

Merrillville's tennis team is composed of three seniors and the remaining sophomores. While practicing all summer under the hot, scorching sun, they continued to put forth an all-out effort for a good season.

Chris Reinhart, Bill Touche, Jeff Abel, and Mark Peroni were the most valuable players.

The team's two victories were discouraging, but did not dampen the team's spirits.

Merrillville	0	Highland	5
Merrillville	2	Griffith	3
Merrillville	0	Chesterton	5
Merrillville	2	River Forest	3
Merrillville	5	Portage	0
Merrillville	3	Wirt	2
Merrillville	2	Crown Point	3
Merrillville	1	Munster	4



Jeff Abel's grim face shows his anticipation for his opponent's next move.

Bottom Row (left to right): Coach Orelup, Randy Padol, Mark Nosich, John Petro, John Shield, and Jeff Abel. Top row: Bill French, Rob Lenshis, Chris Reinhart, Bill Touche, Mark Peroni, Randy Dion.



## TANKMEN SWIM TO STATE



Greg Nicholls stretches Scott Corder's arms before he swims in his event.



Going in the 100 yd breaststroke, Tom Davidson comes in his usual fire



Jim Trocha takes the lead in the back stroke relay.



Junior Roger Theis finds that going 400 yd freestyle is very tiring.



At the sound of the gun, the racers take off.



Mike Odom, state qualifier, displays an inverted tuck dive.



Greg Nichols holds team record of 1:01.2 in 100 yd. butterfly.

Coach McCloud gets team members all psyched up for meet.

As the second swimming season completed, the Merrillville tankmen have a record they can be proud of. Many schools underrated our tankmen due to the newness of this sport. Our tankmen proved to be as competitive, if not better, than a school who had swim meets for years. To climax the swimming season, four tankmen participated in state competition. Self-realization is evident in every swimmer as he thinks to himself, "I must swim to my goal. Not only to win the race, but more important, to do my best to help my fellow teammates." A diver exhibits dives of various kinds in order to earn points. The harder and the better the dive, the more points he earns. Coach McCloud once again brought our tankmen to be tough competition. If this record keeps up through the upcoming years, maybe next year have a few first place winners in state.





Row 1 (L to R): S. Kraqczyk, J. Stewart, N. Stinson, M. Fargo, T. Nawesick, R. Funkey, J. Trocha, T. Davidson. Row 2: B. McFarland, C. Froman, C. Springman, K. Martin, J. Halfman, D. Lang, P. Mandich, R. Theis, J. Tilmen. Row 3: R. Washburn, D. Metcalf, R. Massow, B. Mellinger, G. Nicholls, D. Hendricks, S. Corder, J. Grifford, K. Burlison.



Freshman Mike Faryo goes all out doing butterfly.



Randy Massow demonstrated good form while doing backstroke.



Tom Nawesick shows a great amount of speed while swimming free style.



Curt Froman takes a deep breath of air while doing breast stroke.

# SUCCESSFUL SWIMMERS

Greg Washburn dives for points.



Junior Larry Stevens, state qualifier, excellently portrays a swan dive.



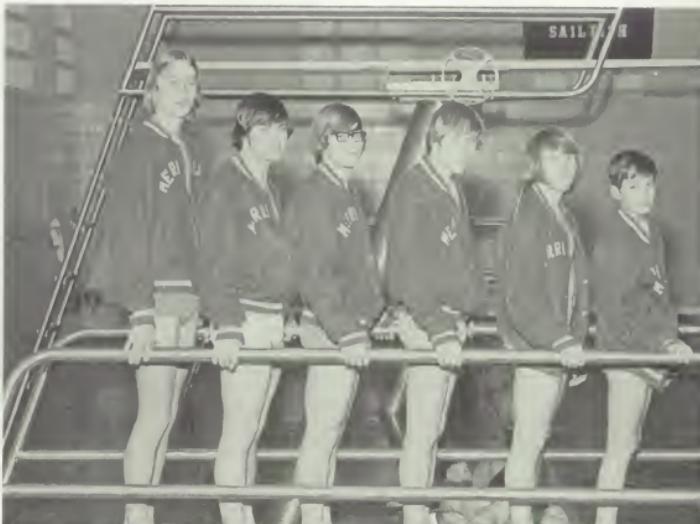
Tom Davidson (Buzz) swam his way to state competition, excelling in breast stroke.

Merrillville	won	Rensselaer Central
Merrillville	won	Lowell
Merrillville	won	Highland
Merrillville	won	Wallace
Merrillville	won	Chesterton
Merrillville	won	Morton
Merrillville	won	Portage
Merrillville	tied	Griffith
Merrillville	won	Michigan City Elson
Merrillville	won	Hammond Tech
Merrillville	lost	Munster
Merrillville	lost	Bishop Noll



Kent Martin also qualified for state in 50-free style and 100-free style.

Divers: Tom Mitro, Greg Washburn, Mark Rohder, Mike Odom, Larry Stevens, Gary Suzanna.



# J.V. SWIMMERS FINISH WITH 4-0 SEASON



Front row; S. Schamm, D. Guzorek, T. Wooley, G. Rudovich, J. Eich, L. Bohn, R. Talmadge, B. Danko, V. Harbison, K. Banks, P. Hassett.  
Back row; Coach McCloud, D. Seber, F. Meyers, K. Thomas, G. Love, M. Albiecht, J. Porter, Jerry Bardeson, J. Sharpe, M. Reinhandter, M. Keel.



Bob MacFarland takes a deep breath of air and keeps a watchful eye open to make sure nobody passes him.



With the hope of winning first is Bob Danko doing breaststroke.



"Swimmers take your mark!, BANG! They're off!"

The Junior Varsity Swim team lead an undefeated season record of 4-0. Swimming hard work outs came in handy when you are up against competition. Swimmers boosting each other up before a meet, working as a team, hard practices, backstroke, fly, breaststroke, freestyle, I.M., relays, getting nervous standing on the starting blocks, false starts, girls timing, "Timers ready!" "Swimmers take your mark!" and they are off to a victorious season.

Each swimmer strived to improve in the hopes of making it up to varsity so he could compete in statewide competition representing the Merrillville swimming team, all under the instruction of Coach McCloud.



Keeping a steady pace while doing free-style is Dave Guzorek.

## UNDEFEATED SEASON



Displaying a very good form while swimming the butterfly is Jeff Tilmon. Counting strokes from the flags and getting ready to go into his back flip turn is Mike Riechenader doing backstroke.





Bottom Row A. Russell, A. Viczi, M. Peters, J. Constantides, D. Lazorik, D. Tombers, T. Constellonos, J. Springer, S. Misik, Top Row; Mrs. Meggenhofen, S. Smith, D. Whitey, L. Whitworth, V. Hancock, C. Woods, G. Brozka, J. Chandler, P. Slimmons, Mrs. Ross.

## GIRLS STAY IN SHAPE

Merrillville	A team won, B team won	Andrean
Merrillville	A team won, B team won	Chesterton
Merrillville	A team won, B team won	Hammond Gavit
Merrillville	A team won, B team tie	Lowell
Merrillville	A team won, B team won	Wallace
Merrillville	A team won, B team won	Crown Point

Volleying the ball back and forth, sore wrists, bruised knees, team cooperation makes the team work towards a victorious season. Under the new coaching of Mrs. Meggenhofen and Mrs. Ross, the team continues to play their very best. Striving to get a letter helps keep competition challenging. The girls ended up with a good season this year, in hopes that next year will be just as good.



Merrillville center shoots for two.



Ready and waiting for the ball are Cheryl Guzik and Sandy Smith.



Front row (L to R): S. Smith, M. Grabzik, S. Guzik, J. Constantinides, L. Lazorik, L. Evans. Back Row: T. Flemming, A. Viczal, D. Tombers, R. Mitsos, J. Baltz, D. Atzhorn, M. Hostetler, P. Simmons, R. Meggenhofen.

## GIRLS ACTIVE IN B-BALL



Blocking does not stop Debbie Lazorik from shooting for two.

Girl's basketball team under Coach Meggenhofen, went through a season of ten games. Going up for layups, shooting free throws, being high point man, points, points, points, jump balls, fouls, time outs, double dribbling, traveling, winning or losing, team work, exhaustion from running up and down the court are all a part of girl's basketball. Coordination and skill just go to prove girls can participate in athletics, too.



Greg Adams, FB



Chris Balcerak, FB



Joel Draper, FB, BB, track



Bob Dinsmore, FB, track, wrestling.

Dan Absher, FB, track

Jeff Abel, tennis

Pat Beckman,  
wrestling

Tom Blankenbaker, FB

Ron Blankenbaker, FB

Dale Brooks, FB

Brian Christy, CC,  
track

Wally Kolodziej, golf

Dino Cominus,  
swimming

Ray Davis, FB

Marty Defoor,  
Swimming

Rick Drew, swimming

Phil Fugate, wrestling

Rick Jackson, tennis

Tom Kacmar, FB



Dale Hendricks, swimming



Jeff Kissinger, FB, wrestling



Kent Lamb, CC, track



Jim Faulkner, FB

# SENIOR LETTERMEN

Working hard to get a lettermen jacket, giving it to your girl friend, being proud of your patches, showing off your chevrons, being a captain in your sport wearing that gold star, leaves all the good memories that took place during high school. As the Senior Class lettermen finish their high school athletic careers, the fond memories of sacrifices, friendships, sorrow, and happiness will be remembered for a life-time.



Stan Marovich, FB, BB



Brett Mellinger, swimming



George Kostides,  
wrestling

Jim Kyres, wrestling

Dan Metcalf, FB

Mark Pieroni, tennis,  
track

Ruby Porras, FB

Ron Rogers, CC

Sam Amardzja, FB

Al Stoikwitz, FB

Ron Sunyog, golf

Bill Touchette, tennis

Rick Washburn,  
swimming

Paul White, tennis,  
track

Don Zona, wrestling

Ed Bennett, wrestling



Dave Sohovach, wrestling



Rick Stevenson, FB



Rick Voyles, wrestling



Cory Webster, FB, wrestling

# OUTLOOK PROMISING FOR SPRING BASEBALL SEASON



Keeping his eye on the ball, Gary Templeton is ready to swing.

Terry Hackett gives the signal for a curve ball.



Front row: T. Habercorn, D. St. Germain, J. Light, J. Wardell, J. Petro. 2nd row: M. Kucan, B. Lopez, K. Magurean, D. Seitzsinger, G. Adams, A. Seban, J. Jankovich, D. Nimms, P. Krulus. 3rd row: Coach Metcalf, C. Harris, T. Hackett, J. Hartill, G. Rogers, K. Perryman; J. Kuzma, G. Templeton, D. Atzhorn, G. Gaskey.



J. Hartill, B. Nichols, A. Seban, C. Jankovich, and B. Lopez talk over different baseball experiences.

Waiting for a pitch he likes, Don Nims takes a swing at the ball.

Baseball season started with great hopes for a good season. Working out with the new pitching machine, running up and down the steps helps the team get back into condition. Pitchers get warmed up pitching curves and fast-balls, while batting practice includes ground balls and home runs. Girls managers are Cindy Harris and Cindy Gaskey. Broken wrists, getting hit with baseballs, new positions, new batting order, goes along with the rest of the excitement of a baseball season.



# SPRING SPORTS SIGNAL END TO 72-73 ATHLETICS



As we say farewell to the closing of this year's athletics we remember all the sacrifices, friendships, pet names we gave each other, the sorrow we shared, the happiness, the victory parties, the pizza parties, the feeling of competition, the winning of athletic awards; medals, pins, patches, letters, emblems, ribbons, trophies, being nervous, making mistakes, making good-plays, people watching you, fans cheering you on, being called a Rah Rah, this is just part of competing, and finding out what self-realization is all about.

For many this may be a beginning, for the Seniors this may be the end but there is one thing nobody will ever forget and that is the memories that took place during your high school days.







CLUBS



Bottom Row L to R: C. Thomas, D. Allendorf, V. Luebcke, D. Zona Row 2: C. Haberkorn, J. Bailey, M. Hamang, M. Higgins, K. Westervelt, F. Landsman, M. Minard. Row 3: L. Catlow, D. Gough, A. Ioannides, R. Craig, D. Roy, P. Lynch, C. Bridgewater, B. Bulfuss Row 4: J. Pennock, B. Dugee, B. Goette, V. Andersan, M. Evanyo, V. Connors, C. Gaskey Row 5: A. Dolk, D. Hunter, L. Weber, Chris Curtis, L. Myatovich, P. Nichols Row 6: C. Laser, A. Deaton, L. Gearhart, P. Austin, S. Simmons, L. Gamet Row 7: Mr. Hutchinson, C. Kiburz, J. Higgins, M. Mundell, J. Roarda, N. Oliver B. Boyd, M. Neulip

## TOP SCHOLARS INCLUDED IN NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

National Honor Society honors the top scholars in high school. A national organization, NHS has sponsored various activities at Merrillville High School, including the "Pin the Devil" contest during Spirit Week. For their money-making project, they also sold taffy apples during school.

# QUILL & SCROLL HONORS HIGH SCHOOL JOURNALISTS



Quill & Scroll membership is the highest honor to be granted to a high school journalist. It provides incentive for staffs and builds prestige for journalism programs. To be a member, a person must meet national qualifications: be in the upper third of his or her graduating class, have worked on some kind of high school publication and have the approval of the advisor and the National Quill and Scroll council. Quill and Scroll also sponsors a current events test and also makes available evaluation services to member high schools.

Fourteen new members were added this spring to the Quill and Scroll rosters, making the total membership increase to 23.

Bottom: Terry Loncaric Top: Jenny Mitsos, Kevin Watts

L to R: Mike Minard; Betsy Ross, advisor; Faye Landsman; Peggy Holom; Charlene Kostelnik; Ev Fink.



# THESPIANS PORTRAY DRAMATIC ROLES DURING YEAR

Trying out for plays, winning certain parts, the applause, the standing ovation, the cast parties are all part of an actor's training, as are painting flats, learning how to apply make-up and lots of behind the scene work.

After seeing a stage play in Chicago, Thespians learn new methods of captivating an audience. Other changes made this past year included changing the name of the Fine Arts Revue to the Merrillville Off-Broadway Revue.

Speech Club and Thespians both participate in displaying their stage skills and entertaining ability. As a reward for their work, Thespians earn awards which are achieved by points. All awards are presented at the annual banquet.



Thespians anxiously await for their meeting to start.



Jack Oros, Mike Reinhart, Dana Shocaroff, Lori Black, Beth Curtis, Terrie Long, Mark Altomere take a break on the spiral staircase during their rehearsal for their award-winning one-act play, "Happy Journey."



Sitting L to R J. Mitsos, E. Fink, M. Reinhart, Mr. Morrow, M. Cardaras, N. Bartley. Row 1: D. Alldendorf, R. Williams, C. Baumgardner, K. Culp, B. Curtis, S. Keehn, C. Costakis, J. Vagnone. Row 2: M. Altomere, B. Goetze, L. Ponda, C. Poti, T. Long, P. Bartley, G. Boswell, N. Psimou. Row 3: J. Bartlett, R. Pollak, K. Laskody, M. Letters, D. Shocaroff, L. Johnson, L. Danko, L. Black, M. Georgilis. Row 4: J. Oros, M. Vale, R. Fileff, D. Kensey, G. Gorski, L. Catlow, K. Alsop, M. Wroblewski, C. Wineinger, M. Baumgardner.

Beth Curtis, Jack Oros, Mark Altomere, and Mike Reinhart rehearse for "The Happy Journey"



# SPEECH CLUB REORGANIZES UNDER MRS. DIENER

Merrillville's speech club made plans this year to participate in speech meets. In the past, they also have been involved in debate matches with other schools. Under the sponsorship of Mrs. Elizabeth Diener, the club is currently rebuilding.

Members of the Speech Club are, front row, Wendy Swanson and Jane Fileff; second row, Pamela Bartley, Mrs. Diener and Gloria Varzo.

Pam Bartley and Gloria Varzo act out a scene as part of a speech club meeting.



# BOOKSTORE SERVES NEEDS OF STUDENTS WITH SUPPLIES



Melanie Brooks and Linda Cunningham help Terry Loncaric decide what supplies she needs for a new quarter at MHS.

Before and after school, the bookstore is open for the students in order to purchase school supplies. It holds from erasers to book covers, and from pencils to notebooks. The bookstore is manned by student volunteers and is sponsored by Mr. Choncoff.

# YEARBOOK STAFF WORKS TOWARD SPRING DELIVERY



Charlene Kostelnik and Lynn McLean take time out for a coffee break.



Miss Ross, yearbook advisor gives a pleasing smile as the pages are sent in.



Charlene Kostelnik, Dana Shocaroff, Lynn McLean and Mary Stroia compare notes.



Academics Editor Debbie Demmon keeps busy by cropping pictures for her section.



Sports Editor Mary Stroia asks questions before finishing.



Sue Pappas types copy and captions for section editors.



Business Manager Dana Shocaroff goes over the books.

# SCHOOL NEWSPAPER HELPS TO INFORM

It all begins in March at the Journalism banquet. Students are announced their positions on the Mirror and following Mirror issues are put out by the newly-elected staff until second semester of the upcoming year.

It can get to be a hassle trying to publish a school newspaper once every two weeks—it means staying after school at least one night, trying to think of a good headline or another photo caption, and remembering all those rules from J-I that didn't seem important until now. And as deadlines draw nearer, tempers get shorter as everyone wants to go home but no one is finished.

It also means a feeling of accomplishment when you see your story in print, or when you get your first by-line. It's receiving a coloring book at the J-Banquet and knowing that you're probably closer to the staff than anyone at school. And then you realize that all the hours of work, cold hamburgers, and warm cokes from Macs were all worth it.



Mary Cardaras and Terry Loncaric watch as Gene Ann Nance types out one of her features.

First row: Kevin Watts. Row 2: Bob Sullivan, Keith Lennon. Row 3: Mike Shelby, Terry Loncaric, Vanessa Vorgias, Miss Betsy Ross, Nora Shaw, Gene Ann Nance. Row 4: Nadia Cheikh, Mary Cardaras, Jenny Mitsos, and Michele Hemmes.



# MHS STUDENTS



Gene Ann Nance busily gets her feature page properly done.



Nora Shaw, Nadia Cheikh, and Vanessa Vorgias look over papers of the previous week's newspaper.



Part of Staff Photographer Keith Lennon's job is to choose pictures for the newspaper.



Mike Shelby, Bob Sullivan and Michele Hemmes try to fit a headline.

## SPANISH CLUB



## LE CERCLE FRANCAIS



Spanish Club 1st row Mrs. Bertram (sponsor) B. Valle, L. Dawson, J. Machnik, G. Stanley, 2nd row N. Woolridge, M. Dovellos, K. Storey, J. Wharton, J. Luebke, 3rd row L. Dudak, T. Grieshaber, C. Griggs, L. Frey, D. Goldman.

French Club 1st row K. Thomas, M. Dobis, C. Tözter, A. Ioannides, K. Hlodnicki, S. Jasnic, 2nd T. Fleming, K. Krikos, A. Nahod (president) M. Cucuz (secretary) C. Costakis, R. Sylvester, 3rd row K. Doxas, A. Dolk, B. Peironi, S. Kritko L. Dovolios (vice president) R. Roganovitch, D. Danchi, N. Johnson (treasurer) J. Higgins, V. Jakovijevich, N. Chekh, Mrs. Callendar (sponsor)

German Club 1st row (officers) B. Goetze, P. Nichols, N. Martin, 2nd row B. Maginot, J. Herr, B. Kirby, R. Robert, L. Wolf, D. Zona, J. Russel, C. Vandenburg, C. Kirby, P. Znika, A. Konrady.

## GERMAN CLUB



# MEDICAL CAREERS MEMBERS INVOLVED

Club members are the "Dental Health Six" on trial at Iddings School.



Medical Careers club members are: front row; Harold Joselyn, Jan Christy; second row; Cathy DuMond; third row; Debbie Rathjen, Toni Brucks, Denise Gut, Pat Mercer, Evelin Minapis; fourth row; Larry Dietrich, Don Kuzivich, Bobbi Dugle, Bob Rendall, Brenda Almutis, Nurse Myers, Dan Hendricks, Darrell Joselyn.



Joan Kasmareck is one of the Medical Careers members taking part in the skit to teach grade schoolers about the dangers of tooth decay.



Members of the Ecology Club include; front row; Jackie Barrett, Marnesh Minilovich, Bill Goetze, Kristic Bahus, Becky Boyd, George Dresher, sponsor. Second row; Kristine Griggs, Andrea Russell, Dottie Whiting, Terry Gcaushaber, Lorraine Dudak, Jane Rhorda.

The main money-making project of the Medical Careers club was selling stuffed animals to students during the fall. Besides this, some of the Medical Careers members worked together to perform a skit for the students at Iddings school on tooth decay and hygiene.

Although not as active as in past years, the Ecology Club did try to make plans for the year's activities. Past activities included clean-up days and glass drives. The club hopes to become re-organized and be involved in more activities during the year.



Row 1: R. Nichols, L. Gament, K. Laskody, A. Traina, Mrs. Callender Row 2: Mundell, L. Ponda. Row 4: M. Hostetler, L. Dudak, Y. De LaRosa, D. St. Martin. Row 5: N. Woodridge, D. Grabczyk.

## FUTURE TEACHERS SPONSOR DANCE

Participating in the homecoming parade began the school year activities for FTA. Students who are interested in this field learned teaching techniques. Paying dues, choosing officers, inducting new members, and preparing ahead are all a part of what this club consists of. FTA continued its annual activities: conventions to South Bend, sponsoring a party for the retarded children, going to Fieeler school, and sponsoring the Christmas Turn-a-bout, giving the table decorations to orphan children.

The students got a chance to teach a class on student teaching day. On this day the student teachers realize being a teacher isn't as easy as it may seem. By helping and teaching others before yourself, self-realization is evident.



Two MHS couples enjoy the decorations at the FTA Turn-a-bout.



Kathy Laskody helps one of the students at Fiebler grade school open his present during the Christmas party FTA held for the class.

Sunshine Society sponsors blanket toss for Jack Kallenback with aid of Health Careers and Pepteens.



## SUNSHINE SOCIETY TAKES PART IN WORTHY CAUSE



D. Taylor, C. Baumgardner, L. Ponda, S. Flynn, D. Dike, N. Woolridge, S. Lee, J. Christy, L. Harmon, Mrs. Bovard.

Sunshine Club goes through their traditional candlelight ceremony starting the year off right. Initiating new members, going to District Conventions, getting acquainted with new ideas, makes this club enjoyable. Looking forward for a night out with Dad and a banquet with mother help the communication gap. Making things and improve bringing them to Riley Hospital help bring cheer to all the folks. Singing Christmas Carols, spreading spirit and having Christmas all help boast the Christmas spirit. Money proceeds going to charitable causes brings out self-realization and helps a person feel needed.



## LETTERMAN'S CLUB

L. to R. Coach McCloud (Sponsor) J. Kyres (Sargent at arms) T. Schmidt (President), B. Christy, Brett Mellinger (Secretary), Gregg Adams (Treasurer), Len Schmidt (Sponsor) Next Row: M. Luptak, P. Petroe, R. Dian, J. Draper, D. Seitzinger, M. Vowell, R. Blankenbaker, B. Dinsmore, G. Kostidus, S. Marovich, B. Uremovich, P. Hlodnicki. Next Row: K. Perryman, J. Stinson, T. Davidson, S. Corder, T. Nowesnik, J. Wilkens, J. Vagnone, J. Kuzma, J. Hansen, K. Dike, C. Ray, D. Athorn. Next Row: K. Lamb, R. Fileff, R. Theis, J. Bishop, R. Rogers, D. Taylor, J. Danyi, C. Roy, K. Kowis, P. White, Terrv Hackett, R. Padol, J. Kissenger. Front Row: C. Froman, B. French, C. Reinhart, J. Able, L. Stevens, C. Gill, C. Balcerak, J. Rosendale, K. Maregean, T. Hansen, D. Hendrks



L. to R. Connie Covaci, Darlene Danchi, Jackie Smith, Gay Peters, Mary Stroia, April Brumley, Bottom to Top: Cheryl Gusik, Debbie Hendricks, Kris Kloth, Eileen Leshk, Kathy Haberkorn.

## VARSITY AND RESERVE CHEERLEADERS





Darlene Danchi, April Brumley, Mary Stroia, Gay Peters, Jackie Smith, and Connie Covaciu.



Kath Haberkorn

Eileen Leshk

Cheryl Gusik

Debbie Hendricks

Kris Kloth



# PEP CLUB, PEPTEENS AID SPIRIT WITH CHEERS, DECORATIONS



Pep Teens are some of the girls that are picked to promote spirit at MHS by wearing uniforms, sitting in a block at games and yelling with the cheerleaders. Helping make and put up signs to support our teams, as well as their cheering at games, make Pep Teens a busy as well as worthwhile organization.

Also helping to back Merrillville's athletic teams is the Pep Club. Sponsored by Mr. Woods, the club makes signs, too, but membership to this club is non-selective.

L to R: Wendy Richardson, Peggy Whitley, Stephanie Shelby, Kim Garballo, Renee Jenkins, Gale Gatlin, Darlene Cieslak, Connie Schliecher, Wendy Swanson, Jane Fileff, & Diane Atzhorn.

Pep Club: Row 1 (L to R): Barb Hilbrick, Ruth Foreman, Robin Greek. Row 2: Mr. Woods, Karen Kalettes, Mary Gulo, Pam Kupke, Karen Senaff, Mary Brabzzych, Sue McCann.





Pom-pom Girls: (L to R) Jenny Mitsos, Teri Newlin, Karen Patterson, Patty Lynch, Jodi Pennock, Val Luebke, Jackie Springer, Beth Pappas, Cecilia Bridgewater, Kathy Berg, Dana Fortner, Ramona Horton, Anne Traina, Denise Jones, Narehna Kuhn, Barb Dunklau, Cyndi Harvot (jr. Capt.), Valerie Tokarz, Jenny O'Brien, Kim Belifore, Sharon Ashley, Marlane Titak, Marla Adams, Linda Miller, Denise Lazork, Jeannie O'Brien, Diane Sohovich, Denise Sark, Sue Kos, Karen Rossey, Diane Sournois, Donna Ferkull, Ronda Williams, (absent: Debbie Lipke—Sr. Capt. & Terri Castelanos).

Keeping in step is one of the responsibilities Cecilia Bridgewater and Terri Castelanos have as pom-pom girls.





## GAA CLUB PARTICIPATES IN VARIOUS ACTIVITIES

The GAA, or Girls Athletic Association, is an organization that gives girls a chance to show their athletic ability. In some of the sports that GAA sponsors, the girls can even earn a letter. Attending meetings every Tuesday is one of the responsibilities that these girls have.

GAA members this year are: first row: D. Tombers, D. Labroik, J. Constantides, I. Ozug. Second row: T. Flemming, M. Stroia, D. Grabczyk, D. Allendorf, K. Kloth, D. Votterodt. Third row: N. Wooldridge, D. Fortner, V. Tokarz, M. Hamang, J. Hamang, D. Gough. Fourth row: K. Stockler, C. Harris, A. Fielder, P. Pawl, R. Mitsos, L. Evans, M. Hostetler. Fifth row: B. Shooter, D. Atzhorn, L. Pikeut, G. Kolodziej, P. Weger, H. Hendericks, B. Pasa, J. Baltz, E. Leshk



The GAA swim team practices while swimming to a season record of 1-3.



Junior Jackie Smith performs during the girls' gymnastics meet at Munster.



JoAnn Constantinescu goes for a layup in a GAA basketball game.

Girls find out basketball is rougher than it seems while jumping for a rebound.



Girls Glee Club 1st row—C. Brown, J. Pollak, L. Black, J. Pappa, M. Whiteley, R. Burgos, D. Gullifc, S. Flanigan, C. Nelson, S. Long, J. Milanovich, L. Sullivan 2nd row—D. Anderson, M. McFallas, G. Gatlin, S. Lousheff, L. Evion, G. Vrazo, C. Griggs, C. Costakis, V. Barbieri, D. Taylor, D. Van Houten, R. Williams 3rd row—C. Bielak, D. Borgmeier, M. Bianchi, J. Machnik, T. Sulunias, M. Dovellos, J. Hamang, D. Cieslak, J. King, J. Springer, 4th row—T. Grabczyk, L. Harmon, J. Barrett, C. Elser, N. Korakakis, B. Shooter, W. Swanson, J. Fileff, P. Kemperle, T. Brownfield, K. Storey, J. Hayes, 5th row—M. Hawkins, C. Podi, S. Milicic, M. Brooks, R. Wolff, F. Govert, S. Fulmer, P. Bartley, D. Cierniaik, T. Long.

Concert Choir 1st row—left to right—N. Bartley, K. Seneff, C. Neely, C. Covaich, D. Danchi, M.

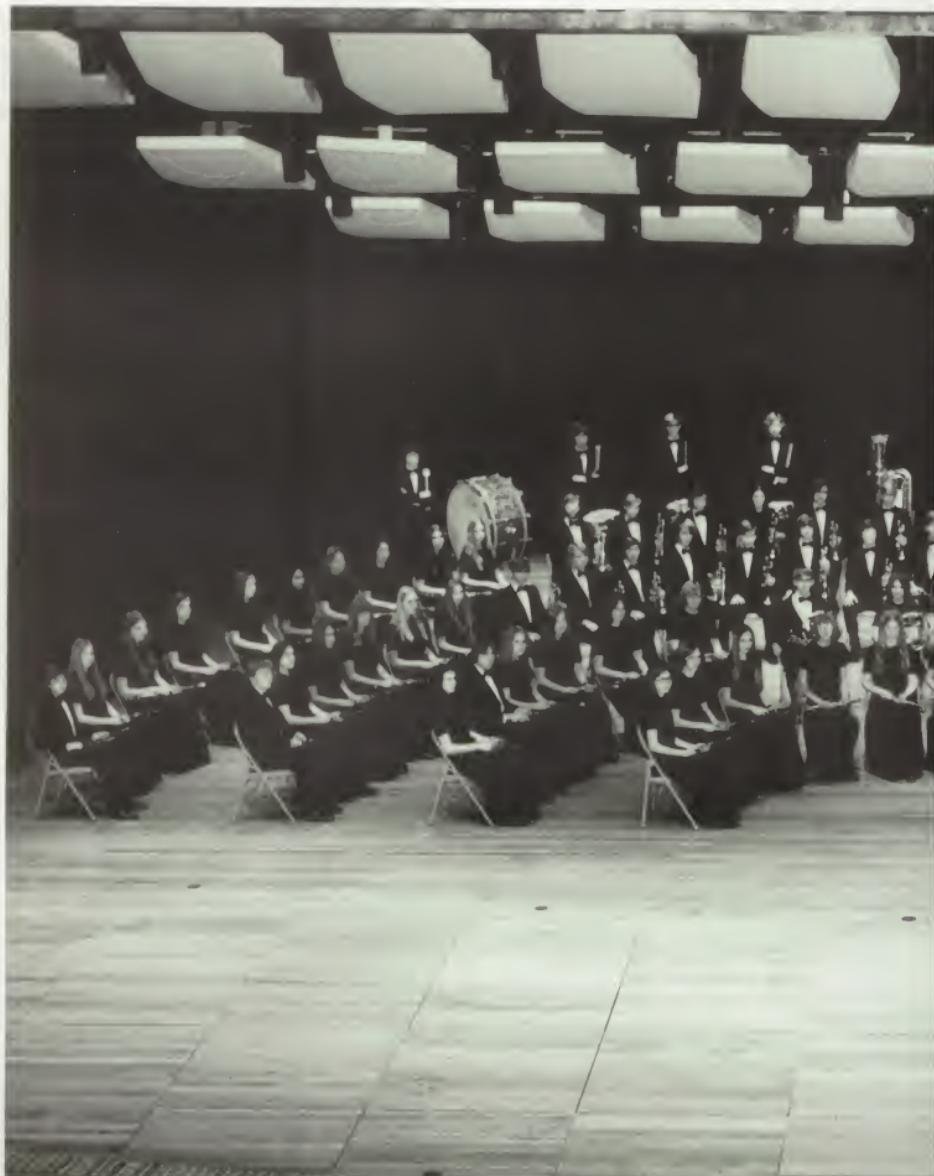
Letters, B. Cloyd, B. Sodor, D. Gough, D. Hunter, P. Thursby, B. Stigleman, E. Leshk, C. Christoff, 2nd row—S. Mikolics, J. Carlburg, K. Standish, B. Ditter, J. Bailey, C. Baumgardner, K. Chismudy, K. Williamson, L. Mullins, T. Brucks, S. Chelovich, K. Haberkorn, 3rd row—G. Peters, G. Boswell, D. Allendorf, D. Burke, L. Ponda, J. Aquino, M. Hamang, K. Laskody, A. Bly, P. Chapas, J. Springer, N. Brucks, S. Parks, C. Water, 4th row—S. Smith, R. Greek, M. Jank, D. Neal, D. Williams, T. Anastopoulos, P. Melcie, M. Reinhart, N. Psimios, R. Bella, T. Carns, 5th row—A. Bartis, J. Edwards, L. Whitworth, D. Zona, M. Deppe, J. Reimer, P. Lewis, C. Reinhart, A. Banko, T. Jones, 6th row—M. Wreblewski, J. Jackson, J. Reimer, M. Reed, D. Evans, J. Oros, B. Docwyaier, J. Bishop, D. Oppman, C. Ray, 7th row—K. Barclay, R. Tallmadge, M. Lazart, D. Kensey, B. Christy, P. Reimer, M. Vale, J. Andreoli, D. Joselyn, J. Julovich, M. Baumgardner, and pianist C. Thomas.

Vocalteen 1st row—J. Bailey, G. Peters, C. Waters, R. Williams, B. Ditter, C. Thomas, 2nd row—K. Barclay, G. Boswell, K. Laskody, S. Smith, L. Whitworth, S. Chelovich, M. Deppe, 3rd row—J. Waters, D. Neal, M. Vale, B. Christy, D. Kensey, M. Lazart, J. Oros, N. Psimios.





# BAND PERFORMS DURING YEAR FOR MHS



# COMMUNITY, AREA HIGH SCHOOLS



The 1972-73 band set out to pay for the new uniforms they purchased by selling band calendars and participating in the Christmas concert, "Seasons Greetings."

Row 1: L to R. Rebecca Boyd, Carmen Laser, Mary Evanyo, Nancy Wooldridge, Maryann Higgins, Beth Pieroni, Laura Dawson, Linda Cicci, Sherry Graves, Diane Atzhorn. Row 2: Suzanne Wills, Kenneth Denta, Joni Hansen, Nancy Deaton, Nancy Sorrick, Pamela Summer, Don Sabernak, Robin Tucker, Kristie Bahus, Michael Welch, Ronald Rogers, Roger Theis, David Atzhorn, Robin Mitsos, Jon Kaczmarek. Row 3: Michael Keed, Debra Keiser, Victoria Hancock, Karla Alsop, Joyce Koedyker, Beth Curtis, Terry Grieshaber, Terrence Procko, Dale Nagy, Mark Alsop, Randy Klevickas, Timothy Pastoviski, David Ellich, Robert Paski, Mary Anne Hosteller, Sharrann Simmons, William Philpott, Thomas Wayte, Mark Rohder, Jeffrey Pieku, Barbara Pasa, Karen Thomas, Deborah Thomas, Amy Alendorf, Eleanore Kacmar, Janden Neville. Row 4: Michael Maginot, Gail Seitzinger, Celeste Kaiser, Violet Cokic, Luella Kopack, Cindy Porras, Cheryl Taber, Diane Mehas, Susan Garrett, Marilyn Miller, Paul Hlodnicki, Stephen Watkins, Hugh Soller, Lorraube Dudak, Neal Oliver, Fredrick Hodgers, Charles Markovich, Steven Thomas, John Statton, George Kucik, Paul Znika, Harold Barnard, Paul Seitzinger, John Sprovostoff, Mark Simmons. Row 5: Terry Peschke, Gregory Adams, Steven Krawczyk, David Nelson, Keven Burlison, Joe Draper, Bruce Givens, Thomas Collins.

# HUMAN RELATIONS SPONSOR EXCHANGES, PROJECTS



Row 1: Debbie Demmon, Dana Shocaroff. Row 2: Michele Hamang, Mr. Walters, Diane Gough, Debbie Leonhardt, Denise Gut, Michele Hemmes, Sherri Linzy, Kathy Klonicki, Sue Johnstone, Terry Newlin, Debbie Burge, Kris Curtis, Nadia Cheikh, Vicky Manivilevich, Kris Griggs, Maudie McFalls, Melissa Lumborkowski, Sue Norwaist, Julie Hamang, Dana Fortner, Cheryl Guzik, Ev Fink.

Human Relations held exchanges this year with Lew Wallace, Calumet, Hobart and Andrean high schools. In March they went to Beatty Memorial Hospital and held their annual slave sale, proceeds from which went to the Jack Kallenback fund.

Another project started this year by members of the Human Relations club was volunteering to help members of the community who could not help themselves. Members signed up to do errands and visit the elderly or the handicapped who were unable to move around.



Wallace exchange students find our cafeteria to be different from theirs.

Senior Michele Hemmes shows Wallace exchange students around.







# ACADEMICS

## ART STUDENTS USE THEIR CREATIVITY



Senior Nancy Sullivan finds painting takes much concentration.



Students display a variety of artistic talents



Mrs. Lewis and Melanie Lee ponder over final creative touches.

# TALENTS TO PRODUCE MASTERPIECE



Rug making, paper maché, painting, and drawing, are few of the ways students express their feelings through art. Design, color, and texture of material demonstrate your personal quality.

Senior Jim Yacko applies his artistic skills to painting.



Rod Owen studies life in the business world.



Liz Gearheart and Debbie Peters finalize their copy in Shorthand II.



Stephanie Kendera tries her hand at the adding machine in her business class.



Typing I student, Sharon Sepkawski, attempts a new assignment.



Students studying any type of business course find that business courses are definitely not so easy as they seem to be. Business classes are beneficiary in shaping the student seeking any type of secretarial or clerical work.



Typing I students try their minds at a three minute time writing.

Typing I students enjoys working with electric typewriters.

## COLLEGE PREP CLASS PREPARES

Studying poetry, reading books, seems to be different to sophomores. Juniors advance to Macbeth and writing to show their feelings, while seniors pick a topic and a term paper to get prepared for college.



Mr. Gran expresses English through faces.



Seniors find complete concentration necessary for college prep class.



Drama class brings out many different moods, as shown by Sherry Keehn and Denise Miller.

# SENIORS FOR COLLEGE.



Drama Class finds emotional people.



Miss Ross points out a mistake that senior Sherry Graves has over-looked.



Steve Thomas finds more interesting things to think about than English.

# ELECTION YEAR ENLIVENS FACTS FOR STUDENTS

The elections, the Vietnam War, and peace talks were the topics of major discussion this year in the history classes. The reports and other tedious homework kept the students occupied after school. Every class has their own memories of the good times and some bad times. Each new day is one less day to the end. For the sophomores and juniors, the end of another year, but to the seniors, the end of high school. And part of everyone's high school years will include work in history classes either U.S. or world. Included in a senior's curriculum are government and economics.



A smile from Mr. Walter for McGovern's loss.



Acting out a trial, Steve Smith gives a suspicious look.



Problems of American Democracy requires group work.

# FOREIGN LANGUAGE CLASSES PROVE CHALLENGING

Foreign languages promote students to learn languages so that they may go into the honors program to study the specific languages of certain countries. These students visit these countries and live with the people to learn their customs and habitats. Language classes also serve as a route for college-bound students, as another language is required for entrance into many colleges. Studying another language often makes learning at least less complicated.



Sophomores Sharon Fulmer and Scott Corder learns speaking a foreign language isn't that bad at all.



Junior Kathy Williamson finds out that she has to memorize dialogue also.



Mrs. Bertrum checks to see if Spanish II students follow the tape.

# SCIENCE CLASS EXPERIMENTS INTEREST STUDENTS

"What's this liquid stuff?" "Now what did he say to do with the test tube?"

Chemistry experiments are only part of the classes making up the science department. Biology and physics are also included in this area, although the classwork may not be as interesting to some as getting scorched by a Bunsen burner.

Learning by doing is a good slogan for this department, though, because teachers as well as students become involved in the class work. Although students observe some of the more complex experiments performed by Mr. Vermillion and the other teachers participation is more the rule than the exception.



Terry Long and Debbie Beck question their lab partner during a biology Lab.



Mr. Vermillion demonstrates an experiment to the class.



Patty Wilshire finishes up on a chemistry lab.



Group study often helps students finish their assignments.



Cleaning up after a lab is all part of being in Biology class.



Senior Norman Allen and Greg Adams express the difficulty of an experiment.

# HOME ECONOMICS CLASSES OFFERED TO ALL STUDENTS

Acquiring the skills to improve their opportunities in the domestic world, students in the Home Economics department applied their knowledge to both practical and artistic projects. Both boys and girls had a hand in cooking a complete meal, decorative icing work, sewing. Housing and interior decorating makes a floor plan of home and furnished.



Mrs. Seale demonstrates how to press a dart correctly.



Home Ec. isn't offered for only girls.



Making a cake from scratch is one of the many things home ec. does.



Sophomore Karen Storey takes time in cutting materials.

# LIBRARY FAVORITE STUDENT PASTIME.



Sophomore Tom Davidson watches for tears in the film.

The Media Center is used for the purpose of studying both singularly and in groups. The library is for students to go to when the student wants to relax or study during the study time of the class.



Students use Media center for more than just studying.

Students use the library for homework.



# PROBABILITY

Algebra I students use basic mathematics . . . Geometry students gain inductive and deductive knowledge through proofs and theorems . . . Algebra II students solves problems of higher degree. Understanding concepts replaces the simple memorization of facts as the basic of curriculum in the math department



Sophomore Jeanne Papp whizzes through a math problem.



Casually explaining an Algebra problem



Students find more time for fun

# FIGURES INTO MATHEMATICS



Item is Mr. Rainford's style



Student Jay Wilkins finds going to the board a daily routine in math.



ink about than just math.



Senior Dana Scharoff tries to explain her way into class.



Going over certain sections before concert is just another part of being in band.



Performing in the new auditorium in the new uniforms for the first time is the high school band.

## BAND MEMBERS RECEIVE NEW UNIFORMS AFTER RAISING MONEY



Senior Becky Boyd and Junior Carmon Laser find sharing music isn't so bad after all



Sharrann Simmons finds out playing the chimes isn't as easy as it looks.



Senior Robin Tucker keeps in time with the music with her French horn.



Senior Girls Glee finds practicing tiring.



Concert Choir practice for Christmas album

## MHS STUDENT'S "BELIEVE IN MUSIC"



Theorizing music, Mr. Reinhart's theory class prepares to compose a concerto.



With 1972-73 being the first complete year for use of the new auditorium and choir rooms, Mr. Reinhart has taken full advantage of this added facilities. Winter, Christmas, and Spring Concerts were performed by senior girls, concert choir and vocalteens in the auditorium



The "Music Man" himself, Mr. Reinhart finds enjoyment as well as relaxation directing his choirs.

Obviously disliking the selection Buffy Ditter sings out, regardless.

# GYM CLASS KEEPS THE BOYS PHYSICALLY FIT



Coach McCloud keeps a watchful eye on sophomore Mike Miller as he does his weight lifting.



Sophomore Greg Washburn practices his dives in gym class for swimming meets.



Gathered around for last minute instructions, sophomores don't always give their full attention.



Learning to go off the diving block is taught in the six weeks swimming course at MHS.



Tumbling, volleyball, basketball, swimming and football are just some of the activities that both regular and elective boys gym class participate in developing skill, muscles and the ability to get along with his fellow team mate.



Trying not to bend his knees sophomore Greg Roman concentrates on toe touches.



Larry Stevens and his teammate battle to hit the volleyball.



Sophomores indulge in a friendly game of crab socker.

# GYM CLASSES KEEP STUDENTS IN CONDITION

The sophomore girls physical education classes started out the year with physical fitness tests. The classes were outside for a short while to play flag football. Inside, during the winter the girls played low-organized games such as dodge ball and crab soccer. During the second semester they played basketball and learned dances. In the spring classes moved back outdoors for soccer and softball.



Sophomore Debbie Hendricks finds that swimming class isn't just swimming only.



Mrs. Ross takes time and tries to explain the proper techniques to swim.



Debbie Randhan, Toni Macchia, and Michele Hamang listen to instructions on tumbling.

Sophomore girls' gym class finds out that volleyball isn't as easy as it looks.

# POM POMS PROVIDE ENTERTAINMENT



Seniors Rhonda Williams and Terry Newlin display toys in the annual Christmas Concert.

The 1972-1973 Pom-Pom girls have achieved many things: Having a colored guard with the band, performing the Christmas concert, doing their own thing by making up the routine themselves.

Elective gym students classes started out the year with tennis, once inside, they played low-organized games. The girls then learned to exercise for figure control. For the rest of the semester they played volleyball and worked on the gymnastic equipment.



Junior Captain Cindy Havoth shows the other girls the routine.



Doing a dance and being an elf is just part of being a pom-pom girl.



Making up their own routine is the fun of being in pom pom class.



Joe Gifford draws a scale for drafting.



Mr. Kaiser demonstrates the proper method in machinery care.



Dan Luchene cleans his tools after class.



Drafting takes much time and study.



Students add last minutes touches by rounding off the edge.



Adjusting the wood lathe, Mark Allan finds it's harder than he anticipated.

## EXTRA CLASSES OFFERED AS STUDENTS BROADEN EDUCATION IN SHOP

Shop classes had an addition to their department, classes that meet before and after regular classes.

Drawing up the plans and then building a model house is one assignment in drafting class.

Students spend days planning their projects, and then they go to the shop instructor for a final check of the plans. The students has to decide what type of wood he will use for his project before actual construction begins.

The student has the entire semester to work on his project, and some students actually manage to get started on a second project. The student can make anything he wants to. The projects are varied. During this past school year, woodshop students made hope chests, table, gun cabinets, bookcases, wall shelves, desks, candlesticks, dog houses, toboggans, and a play-house for little children.

In auto shop, students study the machinations of the automobile. They learn about the working parts of a car, and they learn how to repair cars by actually working on cars instead of learning everything out of books. The teachers see to it that their students get working experience.



Angie Koscica expresses a smile as Mr. Semakaitis explains assignment.

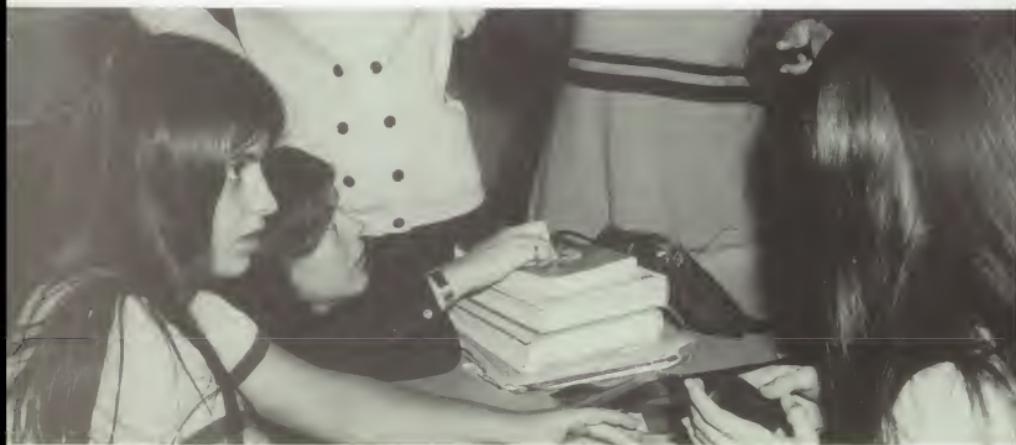
## MIRROR STAFF WORKS INTO 1973



Editor of the editorial page, Kevin Watts, prepares "Letter to the Editor," for publication.



Keith Lennon, photographer, demonstrates the art of a camera to staff member Vanessa Vorgias



Mary Cardaras, Miss Ross and Gene Ann Nance prepare the features page.



## MERRILLVUE STAFF PRODUCES ANOTHER YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL MEMORIES.

The Mirror Staff has faithfully issued a paper once every two weeks. The paper's purpose has been to familiarize the student with his school and the activities that take place in it. The Mirror Staff has accomplished this goal this 1972-73 school year.

The Merrillvue Staff has strived this past year to meet the required deadline of this annual. They have and they hope they have provided you the student with happy memories of MHS, 1972-73.

Sue Pappas and Mary Stroia are diligently at work to hit deadline.



Debbie Demmon and Dana Shocaroff seriously (?) get down to business.



Lynn McLean and editor, Rose Magda discuss controversy on an issued finalization.

## BUDGET PROBLEMS PLAGUE BOARD

Dr. Donald Kaupke, Superintendent of Ross Schools glances through a book.



Front Row (Left to Right): Raymond Doherty, Maynard Kruger, and Arthur Collins, Back Row: Jack Morfee and Donald Lanbehn.



## ADMINISTRATION TACKLES PARKING, ATTENDANCE



"Did you call me?", asks assistant principal John Stone



Checking on absent students is a daily task for assistant principal, Jerry Niemeyer

Principal, James Bovard patrols the halls



After Merrillville's victory over Wallace, Coaches Molchan and Schmidt admire the game's victory milk can.



Mrs. B. Ambroziak is a rookie business ed. teacher at MHS. She has a B.S. in Bus. Admin. and marketing. She attended B.S.U., I.U. and St. Joseph's Calumet College. She enjoys bowling, chess, cards, White Sox games and fishing.



Mrs. Bertram has spent her three years at MHS as a foreign language teacher and Spanish Club sponsor. She holds a B.S. degree from I.U. and her hobbies include sewing, singing, and sports.



Mr. L. Armontrout, P.E. instructor, soph. class sponsor, head track coach, and assistant football coach, is in his 13th year at MHS. He holds a B.S. degree from Central Methodist College and M.S. degree from I.U.



Mrs. R. Bothwell has taught business education for 20 years, besides being senior class and junior prom sponsor. Mrs. Bothwell holds an M.S. degree from I.U. and her hobbies are reading, and crocheting.



Mrs. G. Bovard, business teacher and department chairman, and Sunshine Society sponsor, has taught at MHS for 25 years. She holds B.S. & M.B.A. degrees from I.U. Her hobbies are reading, boating, bicycling, and spectator sports.



Mrs. H. Brunton, business teacher and Jr. class sponsor has taught at MHS for 17 years. She holds B.S. & M.S. degrees from Central Normal & I.U., respectively. Her hobbies are bowling & golf. She spent last summer in the Far East.



Mrs. V. Burgess, German teacher, German Club sponsor, and Senior class sponsor, holds B.A. & B.S. degrees from Ill. University, Minnesota University, Purdue, & I.U. She has traveled to Russia & Germany, & flowers are her hobby.

# TEACHERS STUDY, TRAVEL, RELAX DURING SUMMER



Miss L. Burrus, librarian, holds B.A. and M.A. degrees from Valpo University and I.S.U., respectively. Her hobbies include reading, writing and sewing.



Mr. C. Carroll, Special education and sponsor of Merrillville Youth for Retarded Children, holds a B.A. degree from Purdue. His hobbies include collecting coins and stamps.



Mrs. C. Coon, guidance counselor, holds a B.A. and M.S. degree from Indiana State University. Her hobbies include collecting antique glassware.



Mr. C. Choncoff, economics and general business teacher, also sponsor of soph. class and the book store. Mr. Choncoff has taught at MHS for eight years and holds a M.S. degree from I.U. He enjoys skiing and camping by Lake Michigan.



Mrs. P. Court has a B.A. and M.S. from Indiana University. She has been at MHS for 6 years. She enjoys traveling, sewing and the theater.



Mrs. P. Callender, foreign language teacher, French club sponsor, jr. prom sponsor, sophomore class sponsor, and F.T.A. sponsor, has taught for 5 years at MHS. She holds a B.S. degree from Ohio State U.; her hobby is golf.



Mr. Yeoman makes a quick swap of dessert for Mr. Vermillion's milk.

# MHS-ANDREAN COSPONER FIRST COLLEGE NIGHT



Mr. J. Dailey, industrial arts teacher, varsity basketball coach, and senior class sponsor, has been at MHS for two years. Mr. Dailey attended Stout State University and holds a B.S. and M.S. degree. He enjoys playing bridge.



Mrs. C. Dillman, art teacher and senior sponsor, has taught at MHS for one year. She holds a B.S. degree from I.U. and her hobbies are painting, bowling and piano.



Mr. R. Ebler, social studies teacher, soph. class sponsor, and legislative chairman of MCTA, has taught at MHS for six years. He holds an M.S. degree from I.S.U. and his hobby is writing for a monthly publication.



Mr. R. Demaree has spent his 26 years at MHS as a World History teacher, football coach, Jr. Hi-Y sponsor, and soph. class sponsor. He holds a B.S. degree from Northwestern University and his hobbies are history and traveling.



Mr. G. Drescher, Bio I & II teacher, assistant wrestling coach, Ecology club sponsor, jr. class sponsor, and Student Faculty Board, has taught at MHS for nine years. He holds a M.S. degree from Ball State University.



Mr. C. Fackler, math teacher and sophomore class sponsor, has taught at MHS for two years. He holds B.S. & M.S. degrees from I.U. and spends his summers teaching Driver's Ed.



Mrs. E. Diener, Speech club sponsor, coach of the Speech Solo team, and English teacher has taught at MHS for two years. She holds a B.A. degree from the University of Michigan. Mrs. Diener's hobbies include reading and sports.



Mr. M. Dunscombe, has been teaching Chemistry I for seven years at MHS. He holds a B.S. and M.S. degrees from Purdue University.



Miss L. Fry, English and Latin teacher, is in her first year at MHS. She holds a B.A. degree from Indiana University.



Miss M. Galanis has spent her four years at MHS teaching U.S. history and as senior class sponsor. She holds a B.S. degree from I.U.



Mrs. Meggenhofen demonstrates a headstand.



Mr. T. Gland has spent his four years teaching at MHS business, sponsoring the soph. class, and as Sr. Powder-Puff coach. He holds a B.S. degree from I.U. and his hobbies include swimming, weightlifting, football, and basketball.



Mrs. J. Hansen teaches Art I & II. She has a B.S. degree from I.U. and M.S. from P.U. She has taught at MHS for four years. She is soph. class sponsor. Her activities are decorating and teaching in the summer. She enjoys snow skiing.



Mr. M. Hutchison, math teacher, golf sponsor, soph. class sponsor, Nat. Honor Soc. sponsor has taught at MHS for 14 years. He holds an M.S. degree from I.S.U. and sports are his hobby.



Mr. R. Gran English teacher, senior play director, powder-puff coach and Jr. class sponsor, has taught at MHS for ten years. Mr. Gran holds an A.B. and M.S. degree from I.U.



Mrs. J. Hammel has taught social studies for three years at MHS. She is also senior class sponsor. Mrs. Hammel holds a B.S. degree from I.U.



Mrs. M. Jeffries, Spanish teacher and department chairman, has taught at MHS for 13 years. She holds an A.B. and M.A. degree from I.S.U. and Valpo U. Her hobbies include sewing, knitting, and reading. She traveled to Mexico last summer.



Mrs. J. Johnson psychology teacher, has taught at MHS for three years. She holds B.S. and M.S. degrees from I.S.U. and Valpo U. Her hobbies include music and mental health work.



Mr. J. Kasarda, English teacher and senior class sponsor, is in his seventh year at MHS. Mr. Kasarda holds a M.S. degree from Purdue University in English education.



Miss F. Kolodziej, business teacher and senior class sponsor, has taught at MHS for four years. She holds a masters degree from I.U. and ceramics are her hobby.



Mrs. J. Kadish, business education teacher for three years, holds B.S. and M.A. degrees from I.U. and Ball State University. Her hobbies include music, art, literature, and travelling in Canada.



Mrs. F. Kirtland, home ec. teacher, jr. class sponsor and prom sponsor, has taught at MHS for 12 years. She holds an M.A. degree and has attended Wisconsin U. and I.U. Her hobbies are reading, crafts and horses.



Mr. J. Kurth business education teacher and jr. class sponsor has been at MHS for three years. He holds a B.S. degree from I.S.U. Mr. Kurth's hobbies include showing old English sheep dogs.



Mr. J. Kaiser has spent his eleven years at MHS as an industrial arts instructor, J.V. football coach, and varsity wrestling coach. He holds B.S. and M.S. degrees from I.S.U. His hobbies are tinkering in his workshop and exercising.



Under the direction of Mr. Reinhart, the chorus rehearses for an upcoming concert.

# WORK AND TRAVEL IN FACULTY'S SUMMER LIFE



Miss G. Leas has spent her 14 years at MHS teaching business. She holds B.S. and M.S. degrees from B.S.U. and her hobbies include travel and photography. She has also traveled in all 50 states, Europe, Russia, Canada and Mexico.



Miss D. Lusk has spent her five years at MHS teaching College Prep and soph English. Miss Lusk holds an M.A. degree from North Texas State University; skiing is her hobby.



Mrs. B. (Green) Koby has been an English teacher for four years. She has a B.A. & M.S. and attended Western Michigan U. and Indiana U. Mrs. Koby is a newlywed. She is also kept busy by being a jr. class sponsor.



Mrs. E. Lewis, chairman of the art department and jr. prom sponsor, has been at MHS for ten years. She holds a M.S. degree and attended Fort Wayne Art Institute, Ball State U., and I.U. Painting is Mrs. Lewis' hobby.



Mrs. A. Lynch, College Prep teacher for fifteen years, holds a B.A. & M.A. degree from Mount Mary College and Valpo U. Mrs. Lynch's hobbies include bridge, writing and traveling. Her recent trip was to Munich, Vienna and Salzburg.



Mrs. P. Meggenhofen, girls P.E. teacher, GAA sponsor, jr. class sponsor, and volleyball and basketball coach, is in her first year at MHS. She holds a B.A. degree from Purdue and her hobbies are music and needlework.



Mr. S. Lewis has been a guidance counselor at MHS for four years. He has a B.S. & M.S. He attended Ball State and Indiana U. He enjoys golf, fishing and reading. He keeps busy by assisting in College Night and Financial Aid Night.



Mrs. S. Matysiak has been a guidance counselor at MHS for three years. She has a B.S. from Purdue and an M.S. from Indiana U. In her spare time she enjoys reading.



Mr. F. Meltzer, band and music coordinator at MHS for 21 years holds a B.S. degree from Canisius College and has done graduate work at Ball State U. Mr. Meltzer's hobbies include sports.



Mr. W. Metcalf, P.E. department chairman and varsity basketball sponsor has taught at MHS for 19 years. He holds a B.S. and M.S. degree from Valpo U. and I.U. Reading and sports are his hobbies.



On her break, Mrs. Wolridge assists her husband in the A.V. Department.



Mr. C. Mixell, business teacher, senior powderpuff coach, and jr. class sponsor, has taught at MHS for eight years. He holds an M.S. degree and has attended I.S.U., I.U. and Purdue. His hobbies are golf, bowling and painting.



Mr. J. Morrow, drama teacher, jr. play director, and Thespian sponsor, has taught at MHS for ten years. He holds B.S. and M.S. degrees from I.S.U.



Mrs. M. Meyer, nurse and Health Career's club sponsor, has been at MHS for 19 years. She holds an R.N. degree from St. Elizabeth's school of Nursing, and her hobbies include gardening, camping and traveling.



Mr. D. Molchan, P.E. instructor, pool director, and varsity football assistant, is in his tenth year at MHS. Mr. Molchan holds an M.S. degree from Purdue. Raising trout is his hobby.



Mr. L. McCloud, P.E. teacher, varsity swimming coach, Merrillville Aquatic club coach, varsity club sponsor, and senior sponsor, has been at MHS for two years. He has attended Slippery Rock State & I.U. and holds an M.S. degree.



Mr. R. Nabhan, U.S. history teacher and jr. class sponsor, has been at MHS for seven years. Mr. Nabhan obtained his B.S. from Indiana U., and M.S. from Valpo U. He teaches econ. in the summer, engraving is his second job.

# STUDENTS AND TEACHERS COMMUNICATE



Mr. S. Novak, industrial arts teacher and soph. class sponsor, has taught at MHS for seven years. He holds B.S. and M.S. degrees and has attended B.S.U., I.U., Valpo U., and Loyla U. His hobbies include fishing and hunting.



Miss C. Pavel, English teacher and jr. class sponsor, has taught at MHS for two years. She holds a B.S. degree from I.U. and completed 25 hours toward her master's. Her hobbies are the piano, viola and painting. She has been to Wales.



Mr. J. Reinhart, vocal and music theory teacher, Vocalettes sponsor, and summer musical sponsor, has taught at MHS for 19 years. He holds a B.M.E. and M.M.E. degree and has attended I.U., Roosevelt U. and Mc Phale School of music.



Mrs. B. Orelup, has spent her seven years at MHS as a P.E. teacher, tennis & gymnastics coach, GAA sponsor, jr. sponsor, and pom pom sponsor. She holds B.S. & M.S. degrees from I.U. Her hobbies are tennis and golf.



Mr. W. Pigg, math and Driver's Ed. teacher at MHS for ten years, holds B.S. and M.S. degrees from I.S.U. Sports are his hobby.



Miss B. Ross, journalism teacher, Quill and Scroll sponsor, yearbook and newspaper advisor, and soph. class sponsor is in her first year at MHS. She holds a B.S. degree from Ball State U. Miss Ross' hobbies include singing and reading.



Mrs. C. Padish, English teacher, sr. class sponsor and jr. prom sponsor, holds an A.B. degree from I.U. She has taught at MHS for two years.



Mr. G. Rainford, math teacher and department head is in his fourteenth year at MHS. He holds B.S. and M.S. degrees from I.U. and Purdue U. His hobbies are reading, hunting, and fishing.



Mrs. M. (Shaw) Ross, P.E. instructor, GAA sponsor, swim coach, volleyball, coach and jr. class sponsor is in her first year at MHS. She holds a B.S. degree from I.U. and her hobby is canoeing.

# STRIKING TEACHERS LENGTHEN SUMMER VACATION



Mr. J. Scheuer, senior class sponsor, jr. prom sponsor, and industrial arts teacher is in his fourth year at MHS. He holds B.S. degree from Purdue U. and photography is his hobby.



Mrs. K. Seale has spent her 18 years at MHS as a Home ec. teacher and department chairman and sponsor of FHA. She holds B.S.H.E. and M.S. degrees from Purdue. Her hobbies include traveling and reading.



Miss W. Stevens, business education teacher and soph. class sponsor, has taught at MHS for six years. She holds a B.S. degree from LU.



Mr. L. Schmidt, Athletic Director, Cross Country coach, and Varsity Club sponsor, has been at MHS for two years. He holds a M.S. degree from Western Michigan University.



Mr. S. Semokaitis has spent his 26 years at MHS as an industrial arts teacher and sr. class sponsor. He holds B.S. and M.S. degrees from L.S.U. and his hobby is plastic carving.



Mrs. E. Stewart, art teacher at MHS for eight years, holds a B.F.A. degree from Wittenberg U. Her hobbies are bridge and golf.



Mrs. K. Schmidt, Soph. class sponsor, soph. play director, and Concerned Student Sponsor, has a B.S. in education from Indiana U. She has been at Merrillville for 4 years.



Mrs. M. Spurr, social studies teacher and soph. sponsor, has taught at MHS for eight years. Mrs. Spurr holds a B.S. and M.S. degree from L.S.U. and is in the process of completing her Ph.D. Her hobbies are reading and golf.



Mr. E. Talmadge, social studies department chairman, has taught at MHS for 13 years. He holds a B.S. degree from Murray State and an M.S. degree from Valparaiso University.



Talking things over is Mrs. Orelup and Coach Metcalf.



Mr. J. Wagner, science teacher, assistant track coach, and sr. class sponsor has taught at MHS for eight years. He holds an M.S. degree from I.S.U. and his hobbies are tennis and golf.



Mr. D. Teeter, industrial arts instructor and sr. class sponsor, has taught at MHS for 2 years. He holds a B.S. degree from I.S.U. and is in the process of working on his masters degree from Purdue.



Mr. J. Vermillion, physics, chem II, science department chairman and assistant basketball & baseball coach, has taught at MHS for 14 years. He holds a B.S. from I.S.U. and an M.A. degree from Brown U. His hobbies are golf and skiing.



Mr. G. Walter has spent his six years at MHS as a government teacher, Human Relations club sponsor, jr. class sponsor, and powder puff coach. He holds B.A. & M.A. degrees from St. Joseph's and B.S.U. His hobbies are golf and traveling.



Mr. D. Teitge, teacher in U.S. history. He is a powder puff, prom, and debate sponsor. He is in his third year at MHS. He holds a B.S. and M.A.L.S. degree from Valpo U. Teaching swimming is his summer job.



Miss C. Von Behren has spent her four years at MHS teaching home ec. She holds a B.S. degree in education from Eastern Illinois University.



Mr. B. Woods, English teacher, Pep club sponsor, and soph. class sponsor, has a B.S. degree from I.U. He has taught at MHS for two years.

# PAPER GRADING IS TEDIOUS



Mrs. G. Woolridge, math instructor, jr. prom sponsor, and sr. class sponsor has been at MHS for eight years. She holds a B.S. degree from Southern Illinois U. and her hobbies are reading, sewing, traveling and photography.



"Up, Up, and AWAY"



Mr. V. Wooldridge, A.V. Head, has taught at MHS for eight years.



Mrs. C. Adams



Mrs. S. Barclay



Mr. B. Yeoman math teacher has been with MHS for nine years. He has a B.S. in math & M.A.T. He attended St. Joseph College and P.U. He enjoys traveling, basketball, golf, bowling and he is a jr. class sponsor.

# HOMEWORK FOR TEACHERS



Mrs. Frazure



Mrs. Homoky



Mrs. Solich



Mrs. Goetze



Mrs. Neville



Mrs. Richter



Mrs. Hendrichs



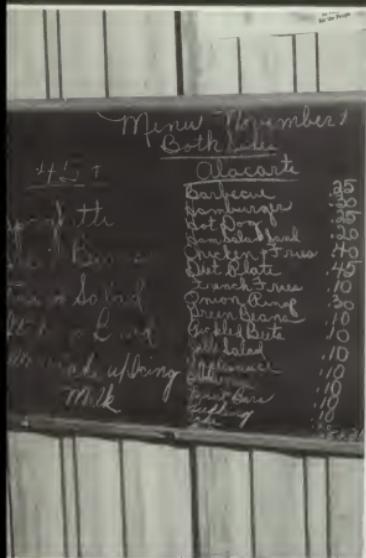
Mrs. Tomko



Mrs. Vislosky

## AIDES & SECRETARIES RUN SCHOOL

# CAFETERIA BECOMES CENTER OF MHS SOCIAL LIFE







The first Merrillville Town Hall is the former primary building on Rt. 330.

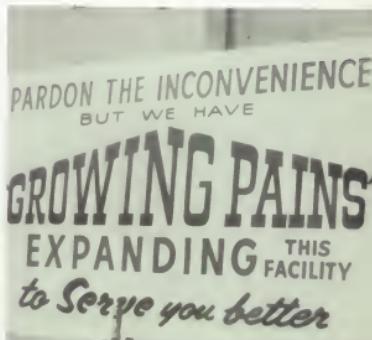
# MERRILLVILLE BECOMES INDIANA'S LARGEST TOWN



With the town growing, it is in need of bigger fire fighting units.



Row 1: Ron Randhan, Jerry Wilkerson, Paul Eich. Row 2: John Carr, Ralph Long, and Ann Collins.



The sign displays that Merrillville is a town on the move.



The town seal, located in the MHS hall, was drawn by Dave Sullivan





ALBUM

## SOPHOMORES LEARN THE INS AND

Finding yourself in the wrong class after three days and hunting for your locker are familiar frustrations felt by a sophomore.

The sophomores had their first fling in high school student activity with the homecoming float. The girls made an effort in the Powder Puff football game.

Ordering class rings and final exams contributed to the raz-ma-taz of high school.

Little do the sophomores realize that juniors and seniors years are next with even more fun, headaches, and memories.



Sophomores Rochelle Brogus and David Neal ask for advice from Mr. Choncoff, who is the sophomore class sponsor.

The juke box is a source of enjoyment to many students. Here a student finds time to play it during his class break.



# OUTS OF HIGH SCHOOL LIFE.



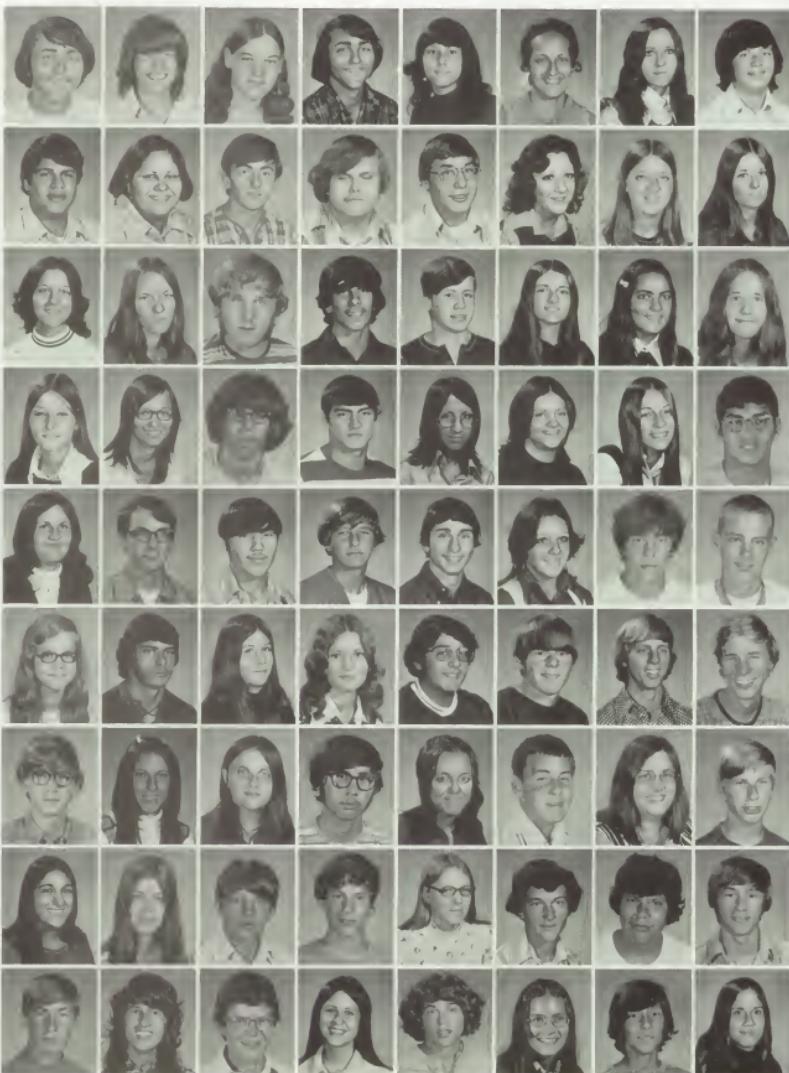
Sophomore Executive Board—Standing on the floor—Renee Jenkins, Vickie Hancock, Stephanie Shelby, Darlene Seislak, Sue Nims, Kathleen Bailey, Debbie Hendricks, Rochelle Brogus, Jeania King. Going up the stairs—Teresa Long, Jane Fieleff, Jackie Barrett, Dave Neal, Diane Zajdel, Paul Znika, Andy Banko, Dave Nelson.

Even an injured arm does not stop John Wardell from doing school work.



# STUDENTS AND TEACHERS TRY TO WORK

Kevin Allen  
Karlene Adams  
Peggy Adair  
Kevin Allen  
Paulette Andrey  
Jean Baltz  
Sherry Bannister  
Jean Barlow  
David Barrick  
Pam Barley  
Ray Bascom  
Ray Baymire  
Andrew Benko  
Diane Beres  
Gloria Berry  
Jill Betters  
Carol Bielak  
Anita Bish  
Mike Blankenbaker  
Lyle Bohn  
Robert Boyd  
Melody Brooks  
Cindy Brown  
Tracy Brownfield  
Rochelle Brugos  
Gigi Brzoska  
Richard Cardenas  
Tim Carns  
Jeanie Celorio  
Julie Chandler  
Diana Chenore  
Steve Christoff  
Starla Clark  
Don Cobb  
Mark Coleman  
Bill Cook  
Scott Corden  
Tina Cuprinski  
Peter Dakich  
Tom Davidson  
Laura Dawson  
Jim Day  
Lisa De Boy  
Bonnie Deem  
Nick Demitrakis  
Mark Demmon  
Michael Demo  
Robert Denta  
Garry Detert  
Debbie De Well  
Pearl Deyoe  
Randy Dian  
Debbie Dobery  
Brian Dockweller  
Suzette Doeing  
David Dolatowski  
Marianne Dovellos  
Brenda Dowdy  
John Dumler  
James Dymler  
Josephine Echterling  
Gary Egnato  
Robert Eguinhusa  
Donald Eich  
James Eich  
Jo Ann Elia  
David Elich  
Cynthia Elser  
Mark Englebright  
Laura Evans  
Thomas Evans  
Laurie Evin



# TOGETHER TO SOLVE THEIR PROBLEMS



Elizabeth Guba  
Robert Guska  
Denise Gut  
Dave Guzorek



Tom Haberkorn  
Jan Halfman  
Frank Hall  
Julie Hamang



Vicki Hancock  
Marianne Harbes  
Tim Harker  
Laura Harmon



Gary Harris  
Billie Hartwig  
Sheryl Haussman  
Monty Haynes

Mr. Mixell always has the time to help a bewildered student with their homework. Here a student needs help with a math problem.

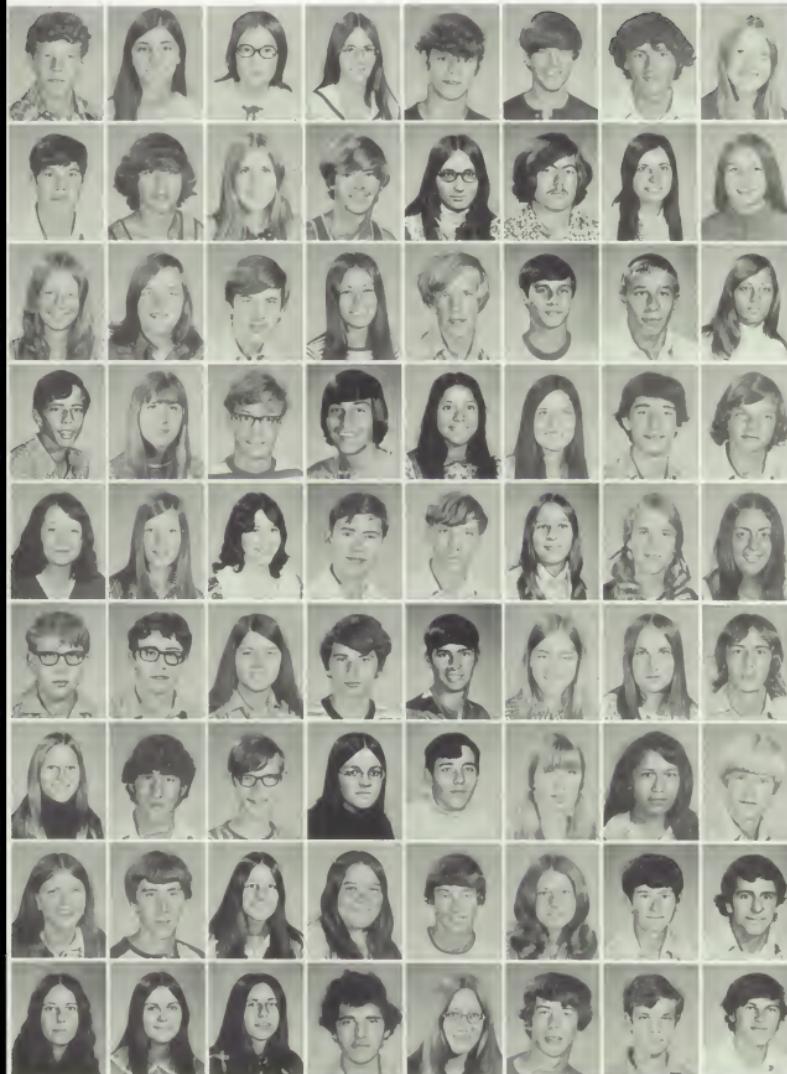


## SOPHOMORE CLASS

William Hebert  
Michael Hecimovich  
Dave Hefty  
Heidi Hendricks  
Deb Hendricks  
James Herr  
Thomas Herzer  
Alice Heylin  
Betty Hicks  
Judi Higgins  
Don Huth  
Edward Jackson  
John Jackson  
William Jarman  
Linda Jewell  
Pamela Jewell  
William Jolliff  
Robert Jones  
Bobbi Jones  
Sheryl Jones  
Barry Jurewicz  
John Kacala  
Debbie Keiser  
Jo Kendall  
Kenneth Knetz  
Karen Koletts  
Sandra Kormos  
Nitska Kortagus  
Angie Koscica  
Kathy Kritkos  
George Kucik  
Randy Lamb  
Theresa Larsen  
Sharon Lousheff  
Shawn Mackey  
Marilyn Makler  
Karen Manis  
James Mann  
Theresa Mann  
Susan Manjolovich  
Mark Mantz  
Randy Mantz  
William Maresko  
Charles Marmolejo  
Robert Martin  
Steve Martinly  
John Marovich  
Laura Marovich  
Dennis Marouler  
Susan Martins  
William Mattingly  
Robert McCann  
Cail McClellan  
David McCloud  
George McCollly  
William McCormick  
Rick McDonald  
Robert McFarland  
La Quin McIntyre  
Michael McLaughlin  
Vanessa McNair  
Corey McShane  
Diane Mehas  
Kevin Mehay  
Margaret Melcher  
Sue Melic  
Rand Mellinger  
Patricia Mercer  
William Metcalf  
Jaci Meznarick  
Jo Anne Milanovich  
Denise Miller



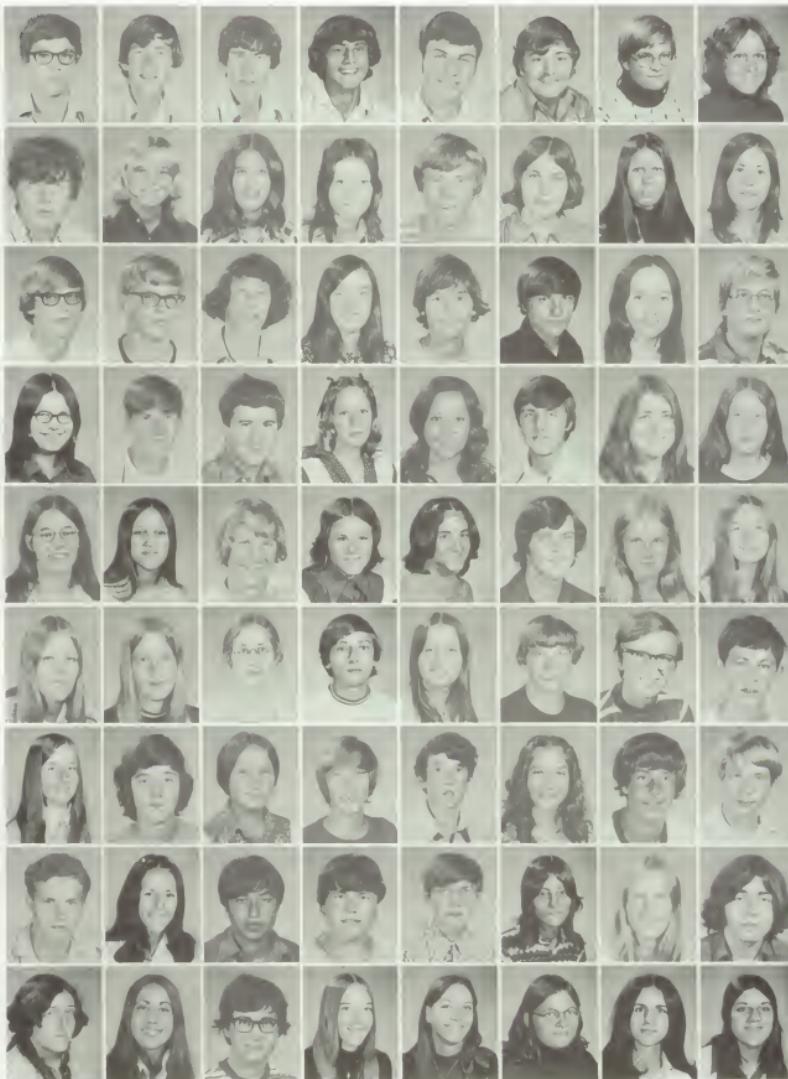
# NUMBER 621 STRONG.



Michael Miller  
Robin Mitsos  
Cindy Moehl  
Kathy Moore  
Randy Moore  
Chuck Moroz  
Joseph Mullen  
Cindy Murray  
Fred Myers  
Gary Nadolski  
Margaret Nadolski  
Dave Neal  
Carla Nelson  
David Nelson  
Ann Nemergut  
Denise Neumeyer  
Sue Newman  
Lori Newton  
Roger Niksch  
Suzanne Nims  
Neil Nommensen  
Mark Nosich  
Tom Nowesnick  
Kathy O'Connell  
Danny Odar  
Karen Olejniczak  
Richard Olijace  
Dave Oppman  
Eliza Ornelas  
Lucy Ornelas  
Jack Oros  
Steve Owen  
Kathleen Pahl  
Jeane Papp  
Barbara Pasa  
Jeff Patch  
Don Patterson  
Pamela Pawl  
Sandra Pawl  
Caryn Peronis  
Richard Perry  
Michael Peters  
Susan Peters  
John Petro  
Randy Pettet  
Lynne Plekut  
Karen Pierce  
John Pike  
Mary Pipta  
Michael Pizzolato  
William Philpott  
Jennifer Polak  
Bruce Pollock  
Cindy Popka  
James Porter  
Cynthia Poti  
Jack Powell  
Teri Powell  
Roberta Poynter  
Mike Prochno  
Mary Puskar  
Steve Qualizza  
Greg Raczynski  
Rosanne Rados  
Michelle Raduenz  
Valerie Rahn  
Robert Ramos  
Kim Randhahn  
Tim Rastovski  
Robert Ray  
Mike Reibly

# MANY STUDENTS FIND BEING OF

Mark Reichenapter  
James Reimer  
Jeff Reimer  
Christopher Reinhart  
Brian Rendina  
Vince Rendina  
Andrea Renahan  
Cathay Renicker  
Harold Reynolds  
Debbie Richards  
Wendy Richardson  
Shirley Rinkoesky  
Greg Rister  
Sharon Ristoff  
Rochelle Roganovich  
Richie Rogers  
Mark Rohder  
Ed Rollet  
Greg Roman  
Darlene Rork  
George Rudovich  
David Rudy  
Kathy Rukavina  
Andrea Russell  
Joyce Russell  
Greg Ryan  
Mike Rzetenly  
Heidi Sadowski  
Lillie Samardzija  
Brian Samay  
Norman Samsel  
Carol Santeramo  
Jayne Sauer  
Cindy Sawochka  
Don Sawochka  
Francin Sogiel  
Connie Scheicher  
Jeff Scheidt  
Charlene Schleicher  
June Schlesinger  
Penny Schmidt  
Twyla Schmidt  
Sandra Schmuck  
Mark Schum  
Virginia Schubert  
David Schultz  
Kurt Schultz  
Mark Scott  
Gail Seitzinger  
Robert Seller  
Judy Semplinski  
Jim Sharp  
Jerome Sharpe  
Stephanie Shelby  
Jon Shep  
Ronald Sherwood  
Phillip Shirley  
Bernadette Shooter  
Joe Shootoo  
Richard Shuman  
Mark Sibo  
Teri Sigler  
Jody Sikora  
Mike Simiakos  
Jan Sims  
Michelle Sirko  
Paul Skittane  
Cheryl Smith  
Debra Smith  
Sandy Solomon  
Roberta Sokpo  
Debbie Sperber



# ASSISTANCE IS A REWARDING EXPERIENCE



Marc Sperry  
Mike Spisak  
Sally Springman  
John Sprottsoff  
Debra Stanko  
George Stanley  
Keith Stanley  
John Stanton  
Krista Stauffer  
Marsha Stefk  
David Stevenson  
Ed Stevens  
Karen Steward  
Don St. Stewart  
Debbie Stilmartin  
Ed Stitt



Danny Stobaugh  
Lloydene Stowers  
Karen Storey



Debbie Stout  
Lloydene Stowers  
Clay Suckey



Sue Sullivan  
Theresa Sullivan  
Robert Sumichrast



Lisa Summers  
Larry Swanson  
Wendy Swanson



Sophomore Debbie Smith places various collages along a black board to decorate a class room.



William Swartzell  
Gary Sweeney  
Deborah Swift  
Jessie Sykora  
Roxanne Sylvester  
Kim Szczerbik  
Cheryl Taber  
Vickie Tanner  
George Tasseff  
Debbie Taylor  
Tom Testi  
Sharon Thielbar  
Steve Thomas  
Janet Thureanos  
David Tica  
Cherilyn Tonetski  
Eric Torp  
Josephine Traficante  
Frank Traina  
William Trakas  
Bogoljub Trickey  
Bozanna Trickey  
Darlene Tucker  
Robert Turner



Sophomore year gym is a required subject.  
A sophomore demonstrates chasing a ball.

Beth Vrtikapa  
Debra Wachowski  
Steve Waldron  
Mike Ward  
Scott Ward  
John Wardell  
Gregg Washburn  
Cindy Watson  
Kathy Weber  
Paula Weger  
Dale Weisman  
Larry Welch  
Clifford Wells  
Marty Wesley  
Julie Wharton  
Terri Wheat  
Margaret Whiteley  
Tim Whittemore  
Dottie Widing  
John Wiechnik  
Sue Wildrick  
David Williams  
Ray Williams  
Linda Wilson  
Barbara Wirtes  
Lynee Wolff  
Tom Wood  
Nancy Wooldridge  
Tim Wooley  
Carey Wright  
Jean Wright  
Sue Wright  
Greg Wroblewski  
Dan Wydro  
Rick Yankovich  
Peggy Yianes  
Diane Zajoci  
Patty Zaprinski  
Leona Zeck  
Paul Znika

Duane Zona

## GYM CLASS IS ONE THING

Pat Turner  
La Vonne Tyler  
Tim Tyler  
Norman Underwood  
Gloria Urazo

Karen Valenti  
Peggy Veach  
William Veach  
Leslie Vinnedge  
Rick Vorwald



## MOST SOPHOMORES HAVE IN COMMON

Mr. Stone and Mr. Niemeyer out roaming the halls in their spare time. By the way do you have a pass?



Many sophomore boys in gym class have found running laps up and down the stairs is an added attraction of gym.

These boys are caught horseing around before gym class starts.

Girls gym classes make use of the pool quite often.



# HIGH SCHOOL LIFE IS NOT ALWAYS NO PLAY



A sophomore tries to send the ball back over the net to score a point.

Pay telephones throughout the school gives the student a choice as to where they want to make a phone call.

During class break the hallway is a good place to talk to friends.



Some students take subjects seriously others think school is a laugh, it's all in each students point of view.



# ALL WORK AND



Here two sophomore girls look through old pictures to see if there is anybody they know.



Mr. Rainford plans how he is going to introduce a problem.

A sophomore shows his kicking strength as he tries to score on his opponents.



## JUNIORS LOOK FORWARD TO JUST ONE



Junior executive board—Left to right—Cindy Kiburg, Gay Peters, Kevin Perryman, Paul Seitzinger, Jim Bishop, Michele Hamang, Mark Baumgardner, Mary Jo Van Hande, John Djukic, Judy Higgins, Patty Lynch, Jay Wilkins, Nina Alvarez, Kris Vandenberg, Julie Carlberg.

The 7-minute class break is usually very hectic but sometimes enjoyable.



## MORE YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL.



Class officers—President—David Atzhorn, Vice-President—Kris Kloth, Secretary—Kathy Haberkorn, Treasurer—Jayne Bailey.

After an extra long summer vacation, the juniors wasted no time in working on the homecoming float, which they received first place for the second time. Although the girls lost the powderpuff game to the seniors, they gave their "all" against the sophomores.

The junior class of '74 was first to have the prom outside of school property at the Greek Hall.

Mr. Kirtland is the junior class sponsor and has been for quite a few years now.



## STUDENT ATTITUDES VARY

Rudy Abrego  
Gloria Adler  
Brenda Aimitis  
Carolyn Aloia  
Karla Alsop  
Mark Altomere  
Nina Alvarez  
Chris Anderson  
Jo Ellen Anderson  
Vicki Anderson  
Dean Andreatos  
Kenneth Andreoli  
Gerald Ashley  
James Ashley  
Joy Asire  
Dale Asken



David Atzhorn  
Jayne Bailey  
Dawn Bellovitch  
Karen Balcerak  
Dave Baltz



Dale Banks  
Scott Barbauld  
Janelle Bargfeldt  
Ann Bartos  
Peter Batalis



Walt Batchko  
Mark Baumgardner  
Jim Beck  
Dave Bellovary  
Penny Bender



Kathy Berg  
Carol Billings  
Linda Biski  
Allan Bishop  
Jim Bishop



Lori Black  
Carolyn Blodee  
Amy Bly  
Sandi Bohn  
Milton Bonich  
Donna Bohling  
Rosalind Bono  
Kenneth Bosstel  
Gretchen Boswell  
Debbie Bothwell  
Sheri Bova  
Marsha Boyd  
Janice Bozich  
Annette Brucks  
Chuck Brumley  
Wayne Brunk  
Barb Brzoska  
Toni Bucks  
Pam Bukur  
Debbie Burke  
Kevin Burlison  
William Caelar  
Terri Caldwell  
Chuck Cannon



Every student has his own feelings about the subjects that he is taught.

# WITH EVERY INDIVIDUAL



This is shown by the many expressions of this English class.

Ed Carija  
Julia Carlborg  
William Carns  
Lynn Carol  
Lisa Catlow  
Karen Chad  
Paula Chappas  
Sue Chelovich  
Sue Chentnik  
Shirley Chew  
Karen Chismody  
Cindy Christoff  
Irene Christoff  
Donald Clark  
Bonnie Cloyd  
Violet Cokic

Ron Collins  
Carol Combs  
Vicki Connors  
John Cook  
Teresa Grabczyk

Bruce Crosby  
Robert Crouch  
Victor Cucuz  
Albert Cuellar  
Karen Culp

Linda Cunningham  
Marshall Cunningham  
Mark Cummings  
Beth Curtis  
Mike Dahlahn

Liz Danko  
Joe Danyi  
Elaine Dayhoff  
Nancy Deaton  
Robert Deer

Charles Denis  
Dave De St Jean  
Donna Dieterich  
Kenneth Dike  
Dawn Dilley  
Sherrie Ditter  
Lisa Dixon  
John Djukic  
Ralph Dogan  
Margaret Dolk  
Randy Dommarcell  
Leni Dovellos  
Kathy Doxas  
Cheryl Duck  
Lorraine Durk  
Mark Dur

Diana Edelen  
Jill Edwards  
Dan Eich  
Mary Eich  
Robin Elbaor  
Charles Engel  
Peggy Erickson



# THE STUDENT'S MIND IS SOMETIMES THOUGHTS

Linda Espranik  
Louise Espranik  
Mary Beth Evansky  
Dave Fargo  
Donna Ferkull  
Debra Flanagan  
Carol Flynn  
Dana Fortner  
Gerald Fox  
Ed Fraley  
Delores Fraticelli  
Marie Fryar  
Richard Funkey  
Candy Gaboyan  
Mary Galanos  
John Gartner  
Cindy Gaskey  
Dean Gill  
Jim Gomez  
Maria Gonzalez  
Diane Gough  
Rae Greek  
King Gregory  
Terry Grieshaber  
Maire Grisak  
Ruth Grivovich  
Cheryl Guzik  
Cathy Haberkorn  
Terry Hackett  
Michele Hamang  
Robert Hamilton  
Randy Hamlin  
Herol Hansen  
Jim Hansen  
Joni Hanson  
Denise Hardesty  
Jim Hargan  
Barbara Hargins  
Terry Harman  
Cynthia Harris  
Cynid Harvorth  
Dennis Harvorth  
Robert Hask  
Joyce Hayes  
Robert Hegedus  
Jack Heiny  
Darlene Held  
Michele Hendricks  
Sun Hermes  
Janette Herr  
Alex Hevezri  
Kathy Heylin  
Gary Hicks  
Karen Highsmith  
Paul Hiodnicki  
Jim Hoffman  
Alice Holmes  
Dale Hopper  
David Horkau  
Mary Hosteller  
Nile Howe  
Janice Hrbaty  
Michelle Hunt  
Steve Hunt  
Vickie Husiar  
Jan Iwan  
John Janbuick  
Joseph Jarosak  
Pat Jarrett  
Crystal Jasnic  
Stamenka Jasnic  
Jim Jefferies



# BOGGLED BY MORE THAN HOMEWORK



Deborah Jenkins  
Edward Jenkins  
Debi Jenson  
Jack Johnson  
Nova Johnson  
Regina Johnson  
Denise Jones  
Kathy Jones  
Tom Jones  
Lara Jovanovich  
Ron Joyner  
Steven Julovich  
Bob Kack  
Joan Kaczmarek  
Celeste Kaiser  
Mary Kalember  
Fritz Karusack  
Carol Karwacinski  
Gina Kasiak  
Mary Keilman  
Karen Keiser  
Mary Kelly  
Cindy Kiburz  
Wayne Kingery  
Cindy Kirkse  
Randy Klevicks  
Ceri Kloc  
Kris Kloth  
Joyce Koedyker  
Ron Kordys  
Sun Kos  
Kenneth Kovos  
Dave Kowalski  
Mike Krafti  
Lori Krauchero  
Tina Kuhn  
Sue Kuitko  
Angel Kunster  
Cindy Kutsko  
Jerry Kuzma

Mary Kuarta  
Andy Kyres  
Tom Lekasik

These students listen intently to the teachers instructions, or maybe they are thinking about their dates for that night.

Donna Langbehn  
Kurt Langbehn  
Carmen Laser

Charles Lecari  
Ed Le Counte  
Mike Leks

Chuck Lenker  
Keith Lennon  
Debbie Lentini



# GUESS SPEAKERS ADD TO THE EXCITEMENT



Through the course of the year psychology classes get to hear and talk to many guess speakers.

Don Mako  
Mark Malhorn  
Paul Mandich  
Randy Massow  
Glen Mattingly  
Dean Matzkiewicz  
Gordon Masak  
Bill Marovich  
Sandra Martin  
Jerry Martinez  
Marsha Mcadoo  
Patti McCall  
Karen Mc Connell  
Carolyn Mc Graw  
Ron Mc Knight  
Brian Mc Millan  
Vanessa Mc Nair  
Chuck Mehok  
Philip Melcic  
Sher Micholas  
Dave Mihal  
Naomi Miklos  
Deborah Miller  
Karen Miller  
Richard Miller  
Rochelle Miller  
Tom Mitro  
Mia Moore  
Scott Moore  
Melissa Mundell  
Michelle Myers  
Kathy Nadolski  
Lynn Nadolski  
Dale Nagy  
Anne Marie Nahod  
Lu Ann Nartnik  
Marcia Nedoff  
Cheryl Neely  
Deborah Neer  
Deborah Nelson

Eileen Leshk  
Debby Lester  
Patrick Lewis  
Mark Lloyd

Linda Long  
Carol Lucas  
Lori Lucas  
Betty Luck

Barb Lu Grain  
Mike Luptak  
Janet Lynn  
Patty Lynch

Jeff Macchia  
Lynn Mack  
John Maddock  
Kevin Magurean



# OF HIGH SCHOOL LIFE



Sue Nelson  
Tim Nelson  
Mike Nestorovich



Jan Neville  
Martin Neutiep  
Edra Nicholas



Greg Nicholls  
Jeanne Nichols  
John Noel  
Sue Nowich  
Tim O'Connell  
Neal Oliver  
Mark Opriski  
David Ordinich  
Greg Ostrazovich  
Melanie Pagil  
Alan Paianovsky  
David Palmatery  
Sabrina Parks  
David Parlock  
Ray Parlock  
Ray Pavelka  
Stan Penner  
Jodi Pennock  
Jim Perko  
Kevin Perryman  
Terry Peschke  
Gay Peters  
Janice Petrowich  
Tim Pierce  
Beth Pieroni  
Robert Pianti  
Tom Popp  
Starla Potts  
Elaine Powers  
Ken Pritchard  
Terry Procko  
Glen Profitt  
Nick Psimios  
Dan Pulin  
Stephanie Pupillo  
Carry Rakes  
Kevin Ramages  
Linda Ranke  
Robert Ratajec  
George Ratkovich  
Susan Rave  
John Ray  
Steve Reed  
Pete Reformat  
Bill Reibley  
Michael Reinhart  
Robert Reimer  
Julie Reicher  
Julie Reicher  
Todd Rickard  
Dennis Ripley  
Mark Robinson  
Bill Rogers  
Ron Rodys  
Jim Rsendual  
Steven Routh  
Cliff Roy



Often lunch hour is used for more than eating. These students talk things out.

# JUNIOR LEARN HOW TO USE THOSE FEW THEIR FULL EXTENT

Jo Ellen Ryan  
Mike Sabo  
Denise Sark  
Dale Statler  
Mark Sattler  
Ed Sawa  
Ray Schaeffer  
Ruth Schaefer  
John Scheeringa  
Jeff Scheub  
Eileen Schlesinger  
Tom Schmidt  
Dennis Scholz  
Steven Schamm  
Shirley Schultz  
Patrick Schuster



These juniors find journalism class can be a lot of laughs.



Jim Schweitzer  
Karen Scott  
Don Seitzinger  
Paul Seitzinger

Sharon Sepkowski  
David Shoup  
Marva Shaver  
Eileen Sharp

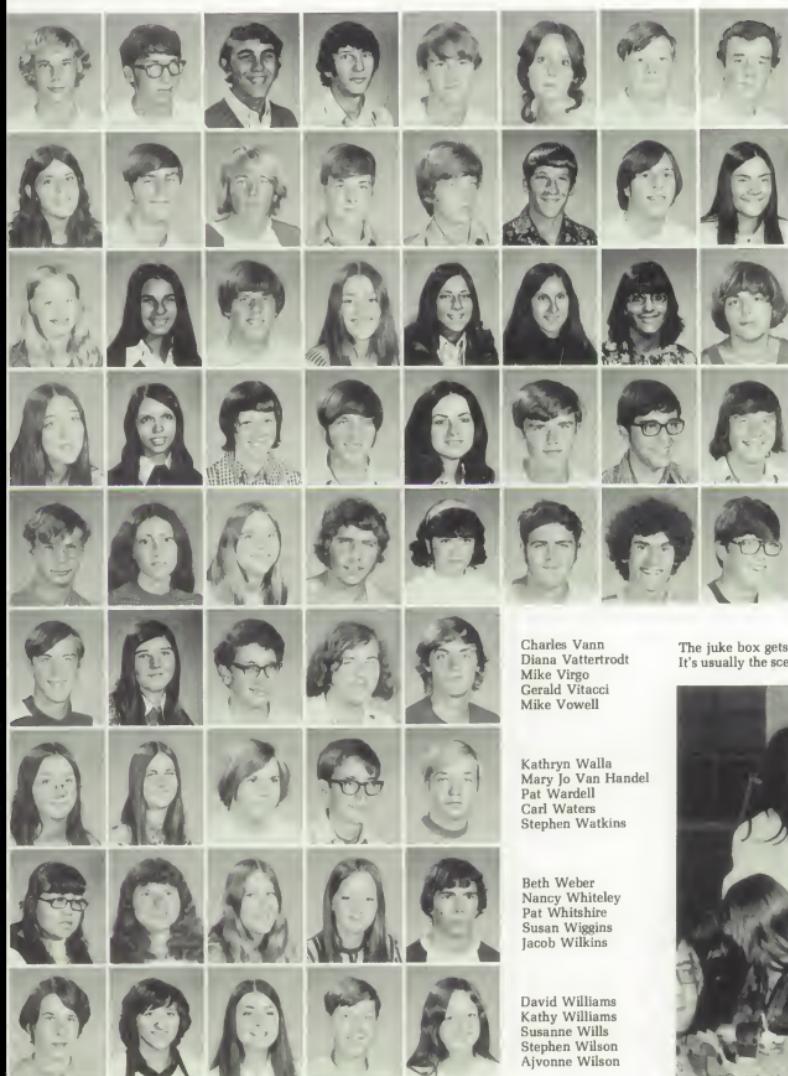
Ralph Sharpe  
Jan Shultz  
Shirley Shultz  
Steven Shramm

Jill Sikora  
Tom Sikora  
Mark Simmons  
David Smeiko

Dan Smith  
Jackie Smith  
Ken Smith  
Nancy Smith  
Sandy Smith  
Shea Smith  
Steve Smith  
Tim Smith  
Steven Solich  
Rich Soohey  
Beth Soos  
Diane Souronis  
Cynthia Sowards  
Sue Sowards  
Jill Springer  
Carl Springer  
Bob Spurlock  
Marcia Spurlock  
Kathy Standish  
Mark Staninger  
Larry Stevens  
Jim Stephanian  
Mae Stephanian  
Edgar Stewart



# MOMENTS OF SPARE TIME TO



Neil Stinson  
Danny Stobaugh  
Jamie Sulich  
Dan Sullivan  
David Sullivan  
Donna Sullivan  
John Sumichratt  
Robert Sustrich  
Diane Swift  
Bob Szafanski  
Perry Taber  
Mark Talley  
David Taylor  
Roger Theis  
Tom Thiakos  
Cindy Thoessen  
Deborah Thomas  
Karen Thomas  
Tim Thursby  
Joanne Tica  
Marlene Titak  
Val Tokarz  
Patty Tomlin  
Steve Tonell  
Juanita Townsley  
Carol Tozier  
Wendy Traker  
Dan Trevisol  
Bozana Triklich  
Jim Trocha  
Michael Tsangaridis  
Ted Tylicki  
Daniel Urban  
Rada Urukalo  
Carol Utke  
Jeff Vagnone  
Sheryl Valant  
Ken Vale  
Mike Vale  
Chris Van Dendugh

Charles Vann  
Diana Vatterrodt  
Mike Virgo  
Gerald Vitacci  
Mike Vowell

The juke box gets a workout on lunch hours.  
It's usually the scene of a crowd of listeners.

Kathryn Walla  
Mary Jo Van Handel  
Pat Wardell  
Carl Waters  
Stephen Watkins

Beth Weber  
Nancy Whiteley  
Pat Whitshire  
Susan Wiggins  
Jacob Wilkins

David Williams  
Kathy Williams  
Susanne Wills  
Stephen Wilson  
Ajvonne Wilson



# MANY STUDENTS FIND DIFFERENT

Rick Wise  
Teri Woods  
Robert Wortsman  
Tom Wotherspoon  
Beverly Yacko  
Mike Yankovich  
Terry Yaros  
Sheryl Yetisko

Sue Zachar  
Debbie Zenci  
Dan Zienin  
Cindy Zimmy



Above: A swimmer uses a machine to build his muscles. Right: Bumper stickers reflect the moods of students. Above right: Tim Nelson, Bob Puniti, and Jay Pasa relax in the library.

A large, rectangular banner for vocational education. At the top, a black box contains the text "P.O.Ws NEVER HAVE A NICE DAY" with a sad face emoji. Below this, the words "SAVE YOUR COURT HOUSE" are written in large, bold, sans-serif letters next to a small illustration of a multi-story school building. At the bottom, another black box contains the text "HELP our POWs and MIAs". Below this, the words "VOCATIONAL EDUCATION" are written in large, bold, sans-serif letters, with the tagline "Opening Doors to Careers" in a smaller font underneath.

## THINGS TO DO IN THEIR SPARE TIME



Left: Kathy Nadolski gets ready to go home. Above left: The smile on Dave Smelko's face shows that everything came out alright. Above: Mr. Gland and Renee Pollak discuss grading math papers.



## "73 IS THE WAY TO BE," HAS BEEN

The upperclassman faced their final year at Merrillville with all the hopes and fears the ever changing world brought them.

Choosing colleges, taking aptitude tests, and planning future careers formed a part of every senior's life which could not be ignored or taken lightly.

Senior year was not all work and no play. Dances, clubs, and interesting activities provide relief from the work load and become all the more enjoyable when experienced in the anticipation of success to come.



Senior class officers—President—Joel Draper, Secretary—Sharon Ashley, Vice-President—Rhonda Williams, Treasurer—Pam Anton.

Senior Terry Ledwinka finds the time to be an economic assistant.



## CLASS SLOGAN FOR THREE YEARS



Seniors pick their graduation announcements.

Senior Executive Board, left to right—Jane Rhoda, Rebecka Boyd, Sharann Simmons, Don Metcalf, Karen Mann, Mark Wroblewski, Karen Fossey, Kevin Watts, Denise Lazorik, Barb Dunklau, John Shepherd, Debbie Lazorik, Bob Sullivan, Mary Stroia, Mike Shelby, Connie Covaciu, Lynn Myatovich.



# INJURIES CAN'T KEEP DEDICATED



Jeff Abel



Dan Absher



Thomas Adeir



Maribeth Adams



Marla Adams



Greg Adams



Terence Adler



Deborah Agent



Cynthia Aimutis



During the course of  
the year, many stu-  
dents find walking



Carl Albee



Evelyn Allen



Norman Allen



Debbie Allendorf



Jeff Andreoli



Nick Andros



Pam Anton



George Argeropoulos



Sharon Ashley

# SENIORS FROM ATTENDING CLASSES



Kathy Atkinson



Randy Austgen



Patty Austin



Kristie Bahus



Mart Bejza

on crutches is difficult.



Chris Balcerak



Dale Banks



Vicki Barbieri



Keith Barclay



Ben Barnett



Nancy Bartley



Rick Bartok



Cindy Battleday



Cheryl Baumgardner



Cindy Beck



Terry Beck



Lloyd Beckwith



Ali Beiglari

## SENIORS MAKE MOST OF



Bob Beilfuss



Kim Bellafiore



Ed Bennett



Linda Benson



Pam Bianchi



Cathy Bikos



Tom Blankenbaker



Sherrie Bly



Kathy Bobinac



Randy Bohn



Bruce Borch



Ray Bowen



Rebecca Boyd



Denise Bradley



Linda Brewer



Cecilia Bridgewater



Dale Brooks



Sue Bruce



April Brumley



Debbie Burge

# SHORTENED LUNCH HOURS



Jeff Burkhardt



Mary Cardaras



Alan Carl



Cheryl Carlson



Nancy Carmody



Tom Candiano



Tim Candiano



Jim Carter



Andrew Castagna



Terry Castellanos



Donna Cates



Mike Chandler



Nadia Cheikh



Denise Chenore



Mary Christensen



Brian Christy

Here is a student that finds walking sideways helps pass the time.



# NEARLY 600 SENIORS IN



Jan Christy



Marilyn Cicci



Denise Cifalia



John Clemens



Tom Collins



Sally Collins



Deno Cominus



JoAnne Constantinides



Mike Coon



Connie Covaci



Robert Cowan



Richard Crago



Millie Cucuz



Sandra Daeg



Rick Dame



Darlene Danchi



Jean Danyi



Dave Daubenheyer



Ray Davis



Martin Defoor

# LARGEST GRADUATING CLASS



Yvonne Delarosa



Debra Demmon



Ken Denta



Mike Deppe



James Deshazo



Mark DeVany



Patti Dian



Larry Dietrick



Donna Dike



Robert Dinsmore



Steve Dixon



Michele Dobis



Bill Dolk



Joel Draper



James Drew



Roxanne Duck



Bobbi Dugle



Dave Dumler



Cathy Dumond



Barb Dunklau

## SENIORS MAKE LONG-RANGE



Greg Durbin



Judy Dyer



David Elliott



William Elmer



Linda Evanyo



Chris Evion



David Everett



Joan Fargo



Jim Faulkner



Rae Fedorchak

Senior couple Kevin Watts and Mary Ann Higgins enjoy the long walk down the hall.



Greg Ferguson



Alan Piedler



Richard Fileff



Ev Fink



Paula Finley



Timothy Flynn

## PLANS FOR FUTURE.



Sandra Flynn



Ruth Foremann



Karen Fossey



Diane Franko



Philip Fugate



Jeanie Gallo



Laura Garet



Evelyn Gardner



Gloria Garson



Liz Gearhart



Holly Geraci



Alan Gernenz



Gary Gerenz



Mike Georgilis



Robyn Gibson



Roger Gilbert



Joe Glorioso



William Goetze



Mary Golub



Greg Gorski

# HUNDREDS OF STUDENTS CROWD THE



Mary Grabczyk



Debbie Grabek



Sherry Graves



Robin Greek



Keith Griggs



Earl Gronek



Robin Granger



Dan Guardiola



Leroy Guardiola



Diana Gullic



Cathy Hackett



Marta Hadey



Debbie Halfman



Debbie Halterman



Mark Harbison



Judy Harms



Colleen Hart



Jim Hartill



Ken Hasan



Linda Hasprunar

## HALLS AND STAIRS BETWEEN CLASSES



Marjorie Hawkins



Colleen Healey



Michelle Hermes



Dale Henricks



Daniel Henricks



Rose Hevez



Mary Higgins



George Hickman



Evelyn Hicks



Barb Hillbrick



Kathy Hlodnicki



Janet Hohnen



Peggy Holom



Charles Hopp

Jeff Andreoli climbs the stairway

to get to the hall where the  
Senior lockers are located.



Mona Horton



Jim Howard



Kathy Frezo



Linda Huber

## ART RELIEVES TENSION



Jeff Huff



Dave Hunt



Richard Hunt



Debbie Hunter



Debbie Hurst



Angie Ioannides



Rod Irwin



Peter Iussig



Richard Jackson



John Jacobs

Michele Dobis relaxes with her needlepoint in Art class



Ted Jansen



Raymore Jaso



Pat Jelinek



William Johnson



Larry Johnson



Debbie Johnson

# FOR SOME MHS STUDENTS



Liz Johnston



Sue Johnstone



Susan Jonaitis



Darrell Josley



Harold Josley



Robert Joyce



Tom Kacmar



Wade Kaiser



William Kappas



Barbara Karr



Larry Karsten



Stephanie Kendera



Dean Kellenburger



Anet Kempe



David Kensey



Charles Kimberling



John King



Park Kingery



Jeff Kissinger



Barb Klaus

# OVER 160 PEOPLE GRADUATE MIDTERM



Fred Klug



Karen Kmetz



Denise Kriadis



Ted Koenig



William Kolodziej



Andy Konja



Michael Korwek



Charlene Kostelnik



George Kostides



Nancy Kourmetis



Mina Kovacevic



Peter Kowalenko



Linda Kucan



Daniel Kucik



Noreenna Kuhn



Pam Kupka



Chris Kurtis



Bill Kusley



Jim Kyres



Dawn Lamb



Kent Lamb



Faye Landsmann



Larry Langham



Kathy Laskody



Mark Lazar



Debbie Lazorik



Denise Lozorik



Henry Lech



Terry Ledwinka



Linda Lee



Melanie Lee



Susan Lee



Linda Lennon



Debbie Leonhardt



Mary Ann Letters



Connie Lewsader



Sherry Linzy



Debbie Lipke



Sheila Lisius



Rick Lobsinger

# WHAT ARE DOOR KNOBS FOR ANYWAY??



Debra Loehmer



Steve Lochner



Terry Loncaric



Bill Lopez



Greg Lousheff



Gerald Luebcke



Linda Luebcke



Valerie Luebcke



David Lukasik



Mike Lukich

Teachers often find doorknobs are good for more than just opening the door.



Melissa Lumbarkowski



Dave Luptak



Deborah Lutz



Allan Macchia



George Maciejko



Cindy Maddock



Roseann Magda



Alan Maicki



Karen Mann



Mitch Mann



Angie Manojlovic



Chuck Markovich



Stan Marovich



Kathy Martin



Susan McCall



Don McCann



Ron McCann



Sue McCann



Maude McFalls



Kay McKee



Lynn McLean



David Mehas



Bob Mekola



Brett Mellinger



Peggy Menacher



Don Metcalf

## STUDENTS DELVE INTO FILES



Jerry Mick



Linda Miller



Tim Milo



John Mitchell



Jenny Mitsos



Randy Moehl



Elizabeth Momcillovio



Terry Monahan



Greg Moore



Linda Mullens



Dennis Mulott



Melanie Mundell



Lynn Myatovich



Gene Ann Nanae



Robert Neer



Diane Nelson



Terry Newlin



Margaret Newman



Pat Nichols



Don Nims

# FOR NEEDED INFORMATION



Jeannie O'Brien



Jenny O'Brien



William Odar



Richard Odom



Debra Ogan



Pat Owen



Tom Ozimec



Irene Ozug



Don Packer



Beth Pappas



Sue Pappas



Nancy Paxa



Bob Paski



James Pastor



James Paterson



Karen Patterson

# MANY STUDENTS FIND SCHOOL LEAST



Gloria Pavelka



Tim Pawl



James Pearce



Dan Penovich



Jerry Perry



Debbie Peters



Jan Petroff



Joe Petruch



Diane Phelps



Jeff Pilkt



Larry Johnson finds time to take a nap during the long day.



Mark Pieroni



William Pike



Don Pittman



Bob Pirce



Robin Piunti



Renee Pollack

## PLEASANT PLACE TO GET THEIR REST



Lynne Ponda



Rudy Porras



Therese Poss



Debbie Pullin



Noeli Putchaven



Laura Qualizza



Don Rastovski



Debra Rathjen



Charles Ray



David Reed



Mike Reed



Jim Reibly



Ruth Rider



Susan Roberts



Ron Rogers



Dave Rohder



Darlene Roy



Marge Rudy



Milane Rukavina



Larry Rzepczynski

# FOR SOME STUDENTS, THE BEST PART



Lillian Sabonis



Sandy Salerno



Sam Samardzija



Edward Samay



Charles Sarjeant

No student will stop when the day is done and it's time to go home.



Andrew Satanek



Donna Schaefer



Denise Scheidt



Cathy Schiesser



Ed Schiesser



Ellen Schlesinger



Rae Schlesinger



Arthur Sebben



John Sedan



Hugh Seller



Susan Semokaitis

# OF THE DAY IS GOING HOME



Cindy Semper



Karen Seneff



Pat Shanahan



Nora Shaw



Rick Sheridan



Mike Shelby



Nancy Shell



John Shepherd



Howard Shingle



Dana Shocaroff



Angie Shooter



Joe Shudick



Don Shuman



Tony Sielski



Jayne Sikora



Debbie Sills



Debra Sills



Mark Simonian



Pam Simmons



Sharann Simmons

## STUDENTS LEARN SKILLS



Ralph Sims



Angie Singer



Martha Smith



Barb Soder



Dave Sohovich



Diane Sohovich



Charlene Solomon



Bonnie Soohey



Nancy Sorrick



Mike Sopko

Pat Owen works on a problem in office machines.



Paulett Souris



Seva Spanos



Jackie Springer



Cindy Spurlock



Carolyn Stanton



Rick Stevenson

# FOR FUTURE JOBS



Barb Stigleman



Pam Stilley



Dave Stinson



Mary Stroia



Johnette Suckey



Bob Sullivan



Ed Sullivan



Lori Sullivan



Nancy Sullivan



Pam Sumner



Jane Summers



Ron Sunyog



Susan Surowiec



Donna Sutton



Don Swift



Janelle Tait



Dave Tolley



Barb Taseff



Gary Templeton



Goodwin Thalman

## LAST YEAR FOR CLASS OF '73



Cheri Thomas



Jeff Thureenos



Peggy Thursby



Ron Titak



Diane Tombers



William Touchette



George Traicoff



Anne Traina



Tom Trakas



Jayne Tretter



Michele Trigger



Robin Tucker



Greg Valenti



Brenda Velle



Susan Vanderkolk



Phil Vandusseldorp



Gerald Vance



Margaret Vargas



Ann Vargas



Debra Veach

## DRAWS TO A CLOSE



David Vesa



Alice Viczai



Vanessa Vorgias



Richard Voyles



Debra Wardell



Rick Washburn



Chris Waters



Kevin Watts



Tom Wayte



Loretta Weber



Chery Weir



Elaine Weisman



Kevin Westervelt



Patty Wharton



Michael Wheat



Paul White



Richard Whittemore



Linda Whitworth



Joe Wildrick



Greg Williams

## SENIORS LEAVE MHS



Rhonda Williams



Randy Wilson



Scott Wilson



Loretta Winandy



Cindy Wineinger



Steve Wirtes



Ted Witecki



Dennis Wright



Mark Wromblewski



Willis Woldt

Senior Ted Jansen listens intently to his teacher.



James Yacko



Joy Yiankees



James Yugo



Doug Zellers

# WITH MANY MEMORIES



Pam Zimmy



Don Zona



Lee Zubek



Susan Zelenak

Debbie Demmon and Michele Hemmes keep busy during class time.



A couple can still have a quiet lunch in the cafeteria.



# SELF-REALIZATION



Guys see the worth of office machines.



Sociology classes experiment in human impression.

Many different expressions are worn by students as they leave class.





Personalities show thru on the students' faces.

A woodshop student learns how to use a lathe.







# SENIOR DIRECTORY

ABEL, JEFFREY  
ABSHER, DAN  
ACKERMAN, RUTH  
ADAIR, THOMAS  
ADAMS, GREGORY  
ADAMS, MARI BETH  
ADAMS, MARLA—Pom-poms, 3,4;  
Powder Puff, 3,4.  
ADLER, TERENCE  
AGENT, DEBORAH  
AIMUTIS, CYNTHIA  
ALBEE, CARL  
ALLEN, EVELYN—National Honor Society, 3,4.  
ALLENDORF, DEBRA—Choir 1,2,3,4; Check-a-Peg Corp., secretary, 2; GAA, 2,3,4; Girls Gymnastics Team, 2,3,4; Homecoming Float and Dance, 4; Honor Club, 4; National Honor Society, 2,3,4; Play committee, 3; Prom Committee, 3; Ross Summer Music Theater, 3,4.  
ANDERSON, DENISE  
ANDREOLI, JEFFREY  
ANDROS, NICHOLAS—FTA, 2; Newspaper staff, 1; Pep Club, 1,2,3,4.  
ANTON, PAMELA—Prom committee, 3; Senior class treasurer; Student Council, 3,4; Student Council treasurer, 3.  
ARCIEROPOLOS, GEORGE  
ASHLEY, SHARON  
ATKINSON, KATHY  
AUSTGEN, RANDOLPH  
AUSTIN, GAIL  
AUSTIN, PATRICIA  
BAHUS, KRISTLE—Band, 1,2,3,4; Ecology Club, 3,4; FTA, 2; Pep Band, 3,4.  
BAJZA, MARY  
BALCERAK, CHRIS  
BANKS, DALE  
BANKS, JEFFREY  
BARBIERI, VICKI—Chantnettes, 3; Pirates, 1; North Wall Prom Committee, 3.  
BARCLAY, KEITH  
BARNETT, BENNY  
BARTLEY, NANCY—Barn Yard Playhouse, 3; Class play, 2,3,4; Pep Club, 4; Prom committee, 3; Ross Summer Music Theatre, 1,2,3,4; Thespian Society, 2,3,4.  
BARTOK, RICHARD  
BATTLEDAY, CYNTHIA  
BAUMGARDNER, CHERYL—Band, 1,2; Cadet teaching program, 4; Chantnettes, 3; Choir, 3,4; FTA, 3,4; Pep Club, 1,2,3,4; Play committee chairman, 2,3,4; Prom committee, 3; Ross Summer Music Theatre, 1,2,3,4; Concerned Students Committee, 4; Sunshine Society, 2,3,4, Vice-President, 3, Rec. Sec., 4; Thespians, 3,4.  
BECK, CYNTHIA—Choir, 1,2,3,4; Class play, 3; Human Relations, 3; Thespians, 4.  
BECKHAM, PATRICK  
BECKWITH, LLOYD  
BEIGLARI, ALI  
BEILFUSS, ROBERT  
BELLAFIORE, KIMBERLY  
BENNETT, EDWIN  
BENSON, LINDA—Football statistician, 3,4; Pep Club, 1,2; Prom committee, 3; Swimming timette, 3.  
BLANCHI, PAMELA  
BIKOS, CATHERINE  
BLANKENBAKER, RONALD  
BLATS, ELAINE  
BLY, SHERRI  
BOBINAC, KATHRYN  
BOHN, RANDALL  
BORCH, BRUCE  
BOWEN, RAYMOND  
BOYD, REBECCA—Band, 1,2,3,4; Ecology Club, 3,4—Historian, 3, Vice-President, 4; National Honor Society, 3,4; Pep Band, 3,4.  
BRADLEY, DENISE  
BREWER, LINDS  
BRIDGEWATERS, CECILIA  
BROADWAY, JOSEPH  
BROOKS, MELVIN DALE  
BRUCE, ALTHEA SUE  
BRUMLEY, APRIL  
BUCKWALTER, DAVID  
BURGE, DEBRA—Human Relations, 4.  
BURGET, RONALD  
BURING, ROBERT  
BURKHART, JEFFREY  
CANDIANO, TIMOTHY  
CANDIANO, THOMAS  
CARDARAS, MARY—Class play, 2,3,4; GAA, 2,3; Powder Puff, 2,3,4; Thespians, 2,3,4.  
CARL, ALAN  
CARLSON, CHERYL  
CARRIERE, MARK  
CARTER, JAMES  
CASTAGNA, ANDREW  
CASTELLANOS, TERESA  
CATEN, DONNA  
CHANDLER, GARRY  
CHAPMAN, MARK  
CHEIKH, NADIA  
CHENORE, DENISE  
CHRISTENSEN, MARY  
CHRISTY, BRIAN  
CHRISTY, JANICE—Choir, 1,2,3; Health Careers club, 3,4; Pep Club, 2; Sunshine Society, 2,3,4.  
CICCI, MARILYN  
CIFALIA, DENISE  
CLEMENS, JOHN  
COLLINS, SALLY  
COLLINS, THOMAS  
COMINUS, DENO  
CONSTANTINIDES, JOAN  
COON, MICHAEL  
COVACIU, CONNIE—Cheerleader, 1,2,3,4; Executive Board, 4; Vocal-teen, 3.  
COWAN, ROBERT  
CRAGO, RICHARD DEAN—Executive Board of Check-a-Peg, 2; German Club, 3; National Honor Society, 2,3,4; Newspaper, 1; Student Council, 1,3.  
CRNKOVICH, JOSEPH  
CUCUZ, MELISSA  
DAEGE, SANDRA—Homecoming committee; Junior Prom committee; Pep Club 1; Student Council, 1,2,3; Turnabout committee.  
DAME, RICKY  
DANCHI, DARLENE—Cheerleader, 3,4; French Club, 3,4; GAA, 1,2,3,4; Girls choir glee group, 3; Health Careers, 2,3; National Honor Society, 2,3,4; Pep Club, 1,2,3,4; Powder Puff, 2,3; Youth for Retarded Children, 2,3,4.  
DANYI, JEAN  
DAUBENHEYER, DAVID  
DAVIS, VIRGIL RAY  
DE FOOR, MARTIN  
DE LA ROSA, YVONNE  
DE SHAZO, JAMES  
DE VANY, MARK  
DEMON, DEBRA—Fine Arts Revue, 3; GAA, 2,3,4; Human Relations, 2,3,4; Newspaper, 3; Powder Puff, 2,3,4; Prom committee, 3; Volleyball, 3; Annual, 4.  
DENTA, KENNETH—Band, 1,2,3,4; Chess Club, 1; Class play, 4; Pep Band, 3.  
DEPPE, MICHAEL—French Club, 4; Junior Hi-Y, 2; Pirates, 1; Choir, 1,2,3,4; Thespians, 4; Vocalteens, 3,4; DEWES, NORMA  
DIAN, PATTI  
DIETRICH, LARRY  
DIKE, DONNA—Pep Club, 1; Play committee, 3; Prom committee, 3; Sunshine Society, 3,4.

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DINSMORE, ROBERT—Executive Board, 3,4; Letterman's Club, 4.

DIXON, STEPHEN

DIXON, MICHELE—Association for Retarded Children, 1,2,3,4; Choir, 1,2, French Club, 3,4; Pep Club, 1.

DOLK WILLIAM

DRAPER, JOEL—Band, 1,2,3,4; Basketball, 1,2,3,4; Class President, 4; Class Vice-President, 3; Executive Board, 2; Football, 1,2,3,4; Junior Hi-Y, 2; Letterman's Club, 4; Student Council, 1; Track, 1,2,3.

DREW, JAMES

DUBOVICH, THERESA

DUCK, ROXANNE

DUGLE, BOBBIE RAE—Choir, 1,2,3; Health Careers Club, 2,3,4; Merrillville Swimming Boosters, 4; National Honor Society, 3,4; Pep Club, 2,3; Sunshine Society, 3.

DUMLER, DAVID

DU MOND, CATHY—Health Careers Club, 2,3,4; Merrillville Swimming Boosters, 4; Sunshine Society, 2,3.

DUNKLAU, BARBARA

DURBIN, GREGORY

DURR, ROBERT

DYER, JUDITH

EICH, PATRICK

EICH, ROBERT

ELLIOTT, DAVID

ELMER, WILLIAM

EVANYO, LINDS

EVERETT, DAVID

EVION, CHRISTINE

FARGO, JOAN

FAULKNER, JAMES

FEDORCHAK, RAE ANN—Choir, 1,2,3; Prom committee, 2.

FERGUSON, GREGORY

FIEDLER, ALAN

FIKE, WILLIAM

FILEFF, RICHARD—Baseball manager, 2,3; Class play, 3,4; Football manager, 3,4; Letterman's Club, 4; Play committee, 3,4; Prom committee, 3.

FINK, EVELYN—Choir, 1,2,3; Epworth Forest, 2,3,4; Fine Arts Review, 3; GAA, 1,2,3; Human Relations, 3,4; National Honor Society, 2,3,4; Newspaper, 3; Quill and Scroll, 4—treasurer, 4; Student Council, 2,3; Student Faculty Board, 2,3; Thespians, 2,3,4—recorder, 4; Yearbook, 4.

FINLEY, PAULA

FLEEGER, JEFF

FLYNN, JAMES

FLYNN, PATRICK

FLYNN, SANDRA

FLYNN, TIMOTHY

FOREMAN, RUTH—Choir, 1; Pep Block, 3; Prom committee, 3; Pep Club, secretary and Vice-President, 4.

FOSSEY, KAREN—Choir, 1,2; Executive Board, 2,3,4; GAA, 2,3; Girls Track, 2; Pep Club, 1,2,3; Pom-poms, 3,4; Powder Puff, 3; Prom committee chairman, 3; Student Council, 1.

FRANKO, DIANA

FUGATE, PHILIP

GAGRATZ, DEBRA

GALLO, GINNINE

GAMET, LAURA—Choir, 1,2; FTA, 2,3,4—secretary, 3; National Honor Society, 2,3,4; Student Council, 1,2,3; Student Faculty Board, 2,3.

GARDNER, EVELYN

GARSON, GLORIA—Human Relations, 2; Play committees, 2,3.

GEARHART, LIZABETH—National Honor Society, 3,4; Prom committee, 3.

GEORGILLIS, MICHAEL—Class plays, 2,3,4; Fine Arts Review; Thespains; Wrestling, 1,2.

GERACI, HOLLY

GERENZ, ALAN

GERENZ, GARY

GIBSON, ROBYN

GILBERT, ROGER

GLORIOSO, JOSEPH

GOETZKE, WILLIAM—Ecology Club, 3,4; German Club, 3,4—President, 4; National Honor Society, 2,3,4; Student Council, 1,2; Thespians, 3,4.

GOLBESKY, JAN

GOLUB, MARY ANN

GORSKI, GREGORY

GRABCZYK, MARY—Badminton, 3; Basketball, 3,4; Check-a-Peg, 2; FTA, 4; GAA, 3,4; Homecoming dance, 4; Homecoming Senior float, 4; North Wall Prom committee, co-chairman, 3; Pep Club, 4; Powder Puff, 4; Puzzles-a-Plenty, 3; Spirit Week, 3,4.

GRABEK, DEBRA—Ecology Club, 2,3; FTA, 3,4; Sunshine Society, 2,3,4.

GRANGER, ROBIN

GRAVES, SHERRY—Band, 1,2,3,4; GAA, 1; Pep Band, 3,4; Ross Summer Music Theatre, 1,3,4; Student Council, 2,3; Swim team, 3; Thespians, 7.

GREEK, ROBIN—Choir, 1,2,3,4; Concert Choir, 4; Girls' Glee, 1,2; Pep Club, 3,4; Prom committee, 3; Senior Girls' Glee, 3.

GRIGGS, KEITH

GRONEK, EARL

GUARDIOLA, DANIEL

GUARDIOLA, RAMON

GULLIC, DIANA—Choir, 1,2,3,4; Prom committee, 3; Student Council, 3.

HADEY, MARIA

HALFMAN, DEBRA—Prom committee.

HALTERMAN, DEBORAH

HARBISON, MARK

HARGER, JANET

HARMS, JUDY—Executive Board, 2,3,4; GAA, 2; Pep Club, 1,2; Pepteen, 2; Powder Puff, 3; Prom committee, 3; Vocalteens, 3.

HART, COLLEEN

HARTILL, JAMES

HASAN, KENNETH

HASPRUNAR, LINDA

HAWKINS, MARGORY—Choir, 1,2,3,4.

HEALEY, COLLEEN

HECIMOVICH, JOHN

HEMMES, MICHELE—GAA, 2; Human Relations, 2,4; Newspaper, 1,3,4; Pep Club, 4; Pirate Chest co-editor, 1.

HENDRICKS, DANNY—Health Careers, 2,4.

HENRICH, DALE

HERZER, CHARLES

HEVEZI, ROSE ANN

HICKMAN, GEORGE

HICKS, EVELYN

HIGGINS, MARYANN

HILLBRICH, BARBARA—FTA, 2; Pep Club, 2,3,4—President, 4.

HOLDNICKI, KATHLEEN

HOHNER, JANET

HOLOM, PEGGY—Choir, 1,2,3; Executive Board, 2,3,4; GAA, 2; Newspaper, 3; Quill and Scroll, 3,4—Vice-President, 4; Pep Club, 1,2; Play committee chairman, 2; Student Council, 3; Yearbook, 4.

HOOPER, DONNA

HORTON, RAMONA—Pom-poms, 3,4.

HOWARD, ARTHUR JIM

HREZO, KATHI—Class play, 4.

HUBER, LINDA

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HUFF, JEFFREY  
HUNT, DAVID  
HUNT, RICHARD  
HUNTER, DEBORAH—Choir, 1,2,3,4; Honors Club, 4; National Honor Society, 2,3,4; Ross Summer Music Theatre, 3.  
HUTFILZ, FRED  
IOANNIDES, ANGIE—French Club, 3,4; Health Careers Club, 2,3; Human Relations, 4; National Honor Society, 3,4; Student Council, 3.  
IRWIN, RODNEY  
ISUSSING, PETER  
JACKSON, RICHARD  
JACOBS, JOHN  
JANSEN, THEODORE JAMES  
JANESIK, LINDA  
JASO, RAYMOND  
JELENEK, PATRICK  
JOHNSEN, WILLIAM  
JOHNSON, DEBORAH  
JOHNSON, LARRY  
JOHNSTON, ELIZABETH  
JOHNSTONE, SUZANNE—GAA, 2,3,4; Human Relations, 4; Prom committee, 3.  
JONAITIS, SUSAN  
JONES, RICHARD  
JOSLEYN, DARRELL—Health Careers Club, 2,3,4; Vocalteens, 3.  
JOSLEYN, HAROLD  
JOYCE, ROBERT  
KACMAR, THOMAS  
KAISER, WADE  
KAPPAS, WILLIAM  
KARR, BARBARA—Class play, 4; Human Relations, 3; Pep Club, 2.  
KARSTEN, LARRY  
KAUFMAN, TERRI—  
KELLENBURGER, DEAN  
KEMPE, ANTONETTE  
KENDALL, ROBERT—Health Careers Club, 2,3,4.  
KENDER, STEPHANIE  
KENSEY, DAVID  
KIMBERLING, CHARLES  
KING, JOHN—Baseball, 1.  
KINGERY, PARK  
KISSINGER, JEFFREY—Ecology Club, 2,3,4; Football, 3,4; Letterman's Club, 4; National Honor Society, 2,3,4; Track, 3,4; Wrestling, 1,2,3,4.  
KLAUS, ELLEN  
KLUG, FREDERICK  
KLUMKAS, KURT  
KMETZ, KAREN  
KOENING, THEODORE

KOLODZIEJ, WALTER  
KONJA, ANDREW  
KORWEK, MICHAEL  
KOSTELNIK, CHARLENE—Newspaper, 3; Quill and Scroll, 4; Pep Club, 1,2,3; Student Council, 1; Student Executive Board, 2,3.  
KOSTIDES, GEORGE—Executive Board, 2,3; Football, 1; Junior Hi-Y, 2; Letterman's Club, 4; Track, 1; Wrestling, 1,2,3,4.  
KOURMETIS, NANCY  
KOVACAVIC, ESMINA  
KOWALENKO, PETER—Class plays, 2,3; Executive Board, 2,3,4; National Honor Society, 2,3,4; Indiana University's Honors Program; Newspaper, 1; Student Council, 1,2,3; Thespians, 2,3,4.  
KRIADIS, DENISE  
KRASICH, FRANCES  
KRONSBEN, WILLIAM  
KUCAN, LINDA—Cheerleader, 2; Gymnastics team, 2,3,4; Pep Club, 1,2.  
KUCIK, DANIEL—Baseball, 1; Basketball, 1.  
KUHN, NORENNA—GAA, 1,2,3,4; Pep Club, 3; Pom-poms, 4; Powder

Puff, 2,3,4.  
KUPKA, PAMELA—Pep Club, 3,4; Prom committee, 3.  
KURTIS, CHRISTINE—German Club, 1,2; Human Relations, 4; Junior Honor Society, 1,2; National Honor Society, 3,4.  
KUSLEY, WILLIAM  
KYRES, DEMETRIOS  
LAMB, DAWN  
LAMB, KENT  
LANDSMAN, FAYE—French Club, 1; Honor Society, 1,2,3,4; Newspaper, 3; Quill and Scroll, 4; Play committee chairman, 3; Student Council, 1.  
LANCHAM, LARRY  
LASKODY, KATHLEEN  
LATHROP, JOHN  
LAZART, MARK  
LAZORIK, DEBORAH—Basketball, 2,3,4; Executive Board, 2,3,4; GAA 2,3; Prom committee, 4; Swim team, 4; Student Council, 2,3; Track, 2,3,4; Vice-President of GAA, 4; Volleyball, 2,3,4.  
LAZORIK, DENISE—Concerned Students Committee, 4; Executive Board, 3,4; GAA, 2,3,4; Girls' track,



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3; Pep Club, 1,2,3; Pepteen, 3; Pom-poms, 4; Prom Committee, 2; Student Council, 2,3.  
**LECH, HENRY**  
**LEDWINKA, TERRY**  
**LEE, LINDA**  
**LEE, MELANIE**  
**LEE, SUSAN**—Sunshine Society, 2,3,4—President and treasurer.  
**LEONHARDT, DEBORAH**—Association for Retarded Children, 1,2,3,4; Human Relations Club, 4; Powder Puff, 4.  
**LETTERS, MARY ANNE**  
**LINZY, SHERRY**—GAA, 2; Human Relations, 2,3; Pep Club, 1,2.  
**LIPKE, DEBORAH**—Ecology Club, 3; Pep Club, 1,2; Pom-poms, captain, 3,4; Prom committee, 3.  
**LISIUS, SHEILA**  
**LOBSIGER, RICK**  
**LOEHMER, DEBRA**—Sunshine Society, 2,3.  
**LOEHMER, STEPHEN**  
**LONCARIC, TERRY**—Human Relations, 2,3 Newspaper, 3,4; Quill and Scroll, 4; Speech Club, 4; Youth ARC, 2.  
**LOPEZ, WILLIAM**—Baseball, 2,3,4; Basketball, 1,3.  
**LOUSHEFF, GREGORY**  
**LUCHENE, DANIEL**  
**LUEBCKE, LINDA**  
**LUEBCKE, VALERIE**—FTA, 4; National Honor Society, 2,3,4—treasurer, 4; Pep Club, 2; Pom-poms, 4; Prom committee, 3; Spanish Club, 2,3; Student Council, 1,2,3.  
**LUKASIK, DAVID**  
**LUKICH, MICHAEL**—National Honor Society, 3,4.  
**LUMBARKOWSKI, MELISSA**  
**LUPTAK, DAVID**  
**LUTZ, DEBORAH**  
**MACCHIA, ALLEN**  
**MACIEJKO, GEORGE**  
**MACKULAK, JOYCE**  
**MADDACK, CINDY**  
**MAGDA, ROSEANN**—FTA, 2,3; Human Relations, 2,3; Newspaper, 3; Sunshine Society, 3; Yearbook editor, 4.  
**MAICKI, ALAN**  
**MANN, MITCH**  
**MANN, KAREN**  
**MANOLOVIC, ANGELA**—Human Relations, 2.  
**MARKOVICH, CHARLES**—Band, 1,2,3,4; Latin Club, 2,3.  
**MAROVICH, JANE**  
**MAROVICH, STAN**  
**MARTIN, KATHY**  
**MCALL, SUSAN**  
**McCANN, DONALD**  
**McCANN, SUSAN**—Pep Club, 3,4; Student Council, 1.  
**McFALLS, MAUDE**  
**MCKEE, ELIZABETH**  
**MCLEAN, LYNN**—Newspaper, 3; Yearbook, 4.  
**MEHAS, DAVID**  
**MEKOLA, ROBERT**  
**MELLINGER, BRETT**—Baseball 1; Football, 1,2,3; Junior Hi-Y, 2; Letterman's Club, 4—secretary; Swimming, 3,4—captain; wrestling, 1.  
**MENACHER, PEGGY**  
**MERCER, CECIL**  
**MERCER, GEORGE**  
**METCALF, DONALD**  
**MICK, GERALD**  
**MILLER, LINDA**—Pom-poms, 3,4.  
**MILLER, ROBERT**  
**MILO, TIMOTHY**  
**MINARD, MICHAEL M.**—National Honor Society, 2,3,4; National Forensic League, 2,3; Newspaper, 3,4; Quill and Scroll, 4—President; Student Council, 1,2,3—President, 3; Student Faculty Board, 2,3; Thespians, 2,3,4; Yearbook, 1—editor.  
**MITCHELL, JOHN**  
**MITSOS, JENNIFER**  
**MOEHL, RANDALL**  
**MOMCILOVIC, ELIZABETH**  
**MONAHAN, MARY**  
**MOORE, GREGORY**  
**MOORE, RICHARD**  
**MULLINS, LINDA**—Choir, 1,2,3; GAA, 2.  
**MUNDELL, MELODIE**  
**MYATOVICH, LYNN**—Executive Board, 4; Human Relations, 3,4; National Honor Society, 3,4; Prom committee, 3.  
**NANCE, GENE ANN**  
**NEITZEL, PAMELA**—GAA, 2,3; National Honor Society, 2,3,4; Powder Puff, 2,3.  
**NELSON, DIANE**—Human Relations, 3,4.  
**NETHERTON, RICHARD**  
**NEWLIN, TERRY LEE**—GAA, 3,4; Human Relations, 4; Pep Club, 3; Pepteen, 3; Pom-poms, 4; Powder Puff, 3,4.  
**NEWMAN, MARGARET**  
**NICHOLS, PATRICIA**—Choir, 1,2,3; Epworth Forest, 2,3,4; FTA, 2,3,4; German Club, 2,3,4—secretary, 4; National Honor Society, 2,3,4; Student Council, 2,3.  
**NIMS, DONALD**  
**O' BRIEN, JEANETTE**  
**O' BRIEN, JENNIFER**  
**ODAR, WILLIAM**  
**ODOM, RICHARD**  
**OGAN, DEBRA**  
**OTTO, RICHARD DENNIS**  
**OVERTON, BILL**  
**OWEN, PATRICIA**  
**OZIMEC, THOMAS**  
**OZUG, IRENE**—Basketball, 2,3; Class play, 2,3,4; FTA, 3; GAA, 1,2,3,4; Pep Club, 2; Thespians, 4; Track, 2; Volleyball, 2.  
**PACKER, DONALD**  
**PAPPAS, ELIZABETH**—GAA, 2; Halth Careers, 3; Human Relations, 2; Pom-poms, 4.  
**PAPPAS, SUZANNE**—Newspaper,



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3; Pep Club, 3; Play committee, 4; Prom committee chairman, 3; Yearbook, 4.	RHODER, DAVID	SIMIAKOS, JOHN
PASA, JAY	ROORDE, JAYNE—Choir 1; Ecology Club, 2,3,4; Executive Board, 4; Honors Club, 4; Latin Club, 2,3—secretary, 3; National Honor Society, 3,4; Play committee, 2,3; Student Council, 3.	SIMMONS, PAMELA—GAA, 1,2,3,4.
PASA, NANCY	ROSSMAN, CAROL	SIMMONS, SHARANN—Band, 1,2,3,4; Ecology Club, 2,3,4; FTA, 2,3,4; Newspaper, 1; Student Council, 1,2,3; Student Faculty Board, 2,3,4.
PASKI, ROBERT—Band, 1,2,3,4; Spanish Club, 2; Track, 2.	ROY, DARLENE	SIMONIAN, MARK
PASTOR, JAMES	RUDY, MARGARET—Pom-poms, 3.	SIMS, RALPH
PATERSON, JAMES	RUKAVINE, MILANE	SINGER, ANGELA
PATTERSON, KAREN—Chantettes, 3; Chairman of North Wall prom committee, 3; Pep Club, 2; Pep-teens, 3; Pirates, 1; Pom-poms, 4.	RZEPczynski, LAWRENCE	SMITH, MARTHA
PAVELKA, GLORIA	SABONIS, LILLIAN	SODER, BARBARA
PAVL, TIMOTHY	SALERNO, SANDRA	SOHOVICH, DAVID
PEARCE, JAMES	SAMARDZIJA, SAMMY	SOHOVICH, DIANE—GAA, 1,2,3,4; Pom-poms, 3,4; powder puff, 2,3,4.
PENOVICH, CARL	SAMAY, EDWARD	SOLOMAN, CHARLYNE
PERRY, JERRY	SAMSEL, GLENN	SOOHEY, BONNIE
PETERS, DEBORAH	SARJEANT, CHARLES	SPOKO, MICHAEL—Football, 1,2,3,4;
PETROFF, JAN—GAA, Student Council	SATANEK, ANDREW	SORRICK, NANCY
PETRUCH, JOSEPH	SCHAFFER, DONNA	SOURIS, PAULETTA
PHELPS, DIANE	SCHEIDT, DENISE	SOWARDS, CHERYL
PIEKUT, JEFFREY	SCHIESSEr, CATHY	SPRINGER, JACQUELYN—Band, 1; Choir, 1,2,3,4; Executive Board, 2,3; GAA, 1,2,3,4; Gymnastics, 2,3; Pom-poms, 4; Powder Puff, 2,3,4; Prom committee, 3; Swim team, 4; Track, 2; Volleyball, 2,3,4.
PIERONI, MARK	SCHIESSEr, EDWARD	SPURLOCK, CINDY
PITTMAN, DONALD	SCHLESINGER, ELLEN	STANTON, CAROLYN
PIUNTI, ROBIN	SCHLESSINGER, RAE	STEVENSON, HOWARD
PLUKAS, JAMES	SCHOLs, BRUCE	STEVENSON, RICHARD
POLLACK, RENEE	SEBBEN, ARTHUR—Baseball, 1,2,3,4; Basketball, 1,2.	STICLEMAN, BARBARA—Choir, 1,2,3,4; Pep Block, 3; Pep Club, 3; Prom committee, 4.
PONDA, LYNN—Cadet teaching program, 4; Chantettes, 3; Choir, 1,2,3,4; Class play, 4; FTA, 2,3,4; Human Relations, 2,3; Pep Cub, 1,2,3; Play committee, 2,3,4; Sunshine Society, 4; Thespians, 3,4.	SEDAN, JOHN	STILLEY, PAMELA
POPJEVACH, MICHAEL	SELLER, HUGH	STINSON, DAVID
PORRAS, RUDOLPH	SEMOKAITIS, SUSAN	STOIKOWITZ, ALEX
POSS, THERESA	SEMPER, CINDY	STROIA, MARY BETH—Cheerleader, 3,4; Executive Board, 3,4; Fine Arts Revue, 3; GAA, 2,3,4; Gymnastics, 2,3,4; Newspaper, 3; Powder Puff, 3,4; Prom South Wall co-chairman, 3; Student Council, 1; Yearbook, 4.
POWERS, TIMOTHY	SENEFF, KAREN	SUCKEY, JOHNETTE
PRICE, ROBERT	SHANAHAN, PATRICK	SULLIVAN, EDDIE
PRZYBYSZ, JOHN	SHAW, KENNETH	SULLIVAN, LORRAINE
PUDLO, VAN	SHAW, NORA	SULLIVAN, NANCY
PULLIN, DEBRA	SHELBY, MICHAEL—Cross country, 1,2; Executive Board, 4; Newspaper, 3,4; Play, 3,4; Play committee, 3,4; Prom committee, 3; Tennis, 3; Track, 1.	SULLIVAN, ROBERT—Executive Board 2,3; Newspaper, 3,4; Wrestling, 1.
PUTCHAVEN, NOELI	SHELL, NANCY	SUMMERS, JANE
QUALIZZA, LAURA	SHEPERD, JOHN	SUMNER, PAMELA—Band, 1,2,3,4; Ecology Club, 3; GAA, 1; Pep Band, 4; Pep Club, 1; Prom committee, 3.
RASTOVSKI, DONALD	SHINGLE, HOWARD	SUNYOG, RONALD
RATHJEN, DEBRA—Health Careers Club, 2,3,4; Play committee, 2.	SCHOCAROFF, DANA—Powerpuff (GAA) 2,3,4; Human Relations, 3,4; Newspaper, Yearbook, 3,4; Prom Comm., 3; Thespians, 4; Class Play, 3,4.	SUNDEZ, MARK
RAY, CHARLES—Choir, 1,2,3,4; Letterman's Club, 4; Track, 1,2,3,4; Wrestling, 1,2,3,4.	SHOOTER, ANGELINE—Pep Club, 2; Ross Summer Music Theatre, 2,3; Spanish Club 2,3—historian, 3.	
REED, DAVID	SHUDICK, JOSEPH	
REED, MICHAEL	SHUMAN, DONALD	
REIBLY, JAMES	SIELSKI, ANTHONY	
RIDER, RUTH	SIKORA, JANE	
ROBERTS, SUSAN—Band, 1,2,3,4; Student Council, 1.	SILLS, DEBORAH LEE	
ROGERS, ROJALD	SILLS, DEBORAH LYNN	

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SUROWIEC, SUSAN  
SUTTON, DONNA  
SWANSON, CINDY  
SWIFT, DONALD  
TAIT, JANELLE  
TALLEY, DAVID  
TASEFF, BARBARA  
TEMPLETON, GARY  
THALMANN, GUDRUN  
THIEN, STEVEN  
THIROS, LOUIS  
THOMAS, CHERI  
THUREANOS, JEFFREY  
THURSBY, PEGGY  
TITAK, RONALD  
TOMBERS, DIANE—Badminton, 3;  
Basketball, 3,4; GAA, 3,4—treasurer,  
4; Volleyball, 4.  
TOUCHETTE, WILLIAM  
TRAICOFF, GEORGE  
TRAINA, ANNE—Ecology Club, 3;  
Executive Board, 3,4; FTA, 3,4; Pep  
Club, 1; Pom-poms, 3,4.  
TRAKAS, THOMAS  
TRETTNER, JANE  
TRIGGER, MICHELE  
TUCKER, ROBIN—Band, 1,2,3,4;  
French Club, 3,4; National Honor  
Society, 2,3,4; Student Council,  
1,2,3—President, 1; Student Faculty  
Board, 2,3; Vice-President sopho-  
more class.  
URBANO, MICHAEL  
VALENTI, GREGORY  
VALLE, BRENDA  
VAN DRIESSCHE, HARRY  
VAN DUSSLDROP, PHILLIP  
VANCE, GERALD  
VANDERVOLK, SUSAN  
VARGAS, ANN MARIE—GAA, 1.  
VARGAS, IRMA  
VARGAS, MARGARET  
VEACH, DEBRA ANN  
VESA, DAVID  
VICZAI, ALICE—Basketball, 2,3,4;  
GAA, 2,3,4; Track, 2,3,4; Volleyball,  
2,3,4.  
VORGIAS, VANESSA  
VOYLES, RICHARD—Wrestling,  
1,2,3,4.  
WARDELL, DEBRA  
WASHBURN, VERNE  
WASILEWSKI, JOHN  
WATERS, CHRISTIE  
WATTS, KEVIN—Baseball, 1,2,4;  
Executive Board, 4; Football, 1,3,4;  
Newspaper, 3,4; Quill and Scroll, 4;  
Senior play, 4.

WAYTE, THOMAS  
WEBER, LORETTA—German Club,  
2; National Honor Society, 2,3,4;  
Play committees, 2,3,4; Prom com-  
mittee, 3.  
WEBSTER, CORY  
WEIR, CHERYL  
WEISMAN, ELAINE  
WELLS, JAMES  
WESTERVELT, KEVIN  
WHARTON, PATRICIA—FHA,  
2,3,4; National Honor Society, 2,3,4;  
Play committee, 2; Prom committee  
chairman, 3; Spanish Club, 2.  
WHEAT, MICHAEL  
WHITE, ROBERT PAUL  
WHITMORE, RICHARD  
WHITWORTH, LINDA  
WILDICK, JOSEPH  
WILLIAMS, GREGORY  
WILLIAMS, RODGER  
WILLIAMS, RONDA—Choir, 1,2,3,4;  
Executive Board, 3—secretary, 4; Na-  
tional Honor Society, 4; Student  
Council, 1,3; Thespians, 4; Vocal-  
teens, 3,4.  
WILSON, RANDY  
WINANDY, LORETTA—FHA, 2,3;  
Pep Club, 3.  
WINEINGER, CYNTHIA  
WIRTES, STEPHEN  
WITECKI, THEODORE  
WOLDT, WILLIS  
WRIGHT, DENNIS  
WROBLEWSKI, MARK—Choir, 4;  
Ecology Club, 3; Executive Board,  
2,3,4; Student Council, 2,3; Thes-  
pians, 4.  
WYSOCKI, CATHY  
YACKO, JAMES  
YANKES, JOY  
YUGO, JAMES  
ZELENSK, SUSAN  
ZINNY, PAMELA  
ZONA, DONALD  
ZUBEK, LEE ANN—Pep Club, 3;  
Play committee, 3; Prom committee,  
3; Spanish Club, 2.





1973 MERRILLVUE staff. bottom row, from left: Mary Stroia, sports; Peggy Holom, clubs; Ellen Schlesinger, assistant business manager; Debbie Demmon, academics; Ms. Betsy Ross, advisor; Charlene Kostelnik, activities; Sue Pappas, copy. Top row: Lynn McLean, album; Dana Shocaroff, business manager; Roseann Magda, editor. Not pictured are Rick Jackson, photographer, and Faye Landsmann, copy.



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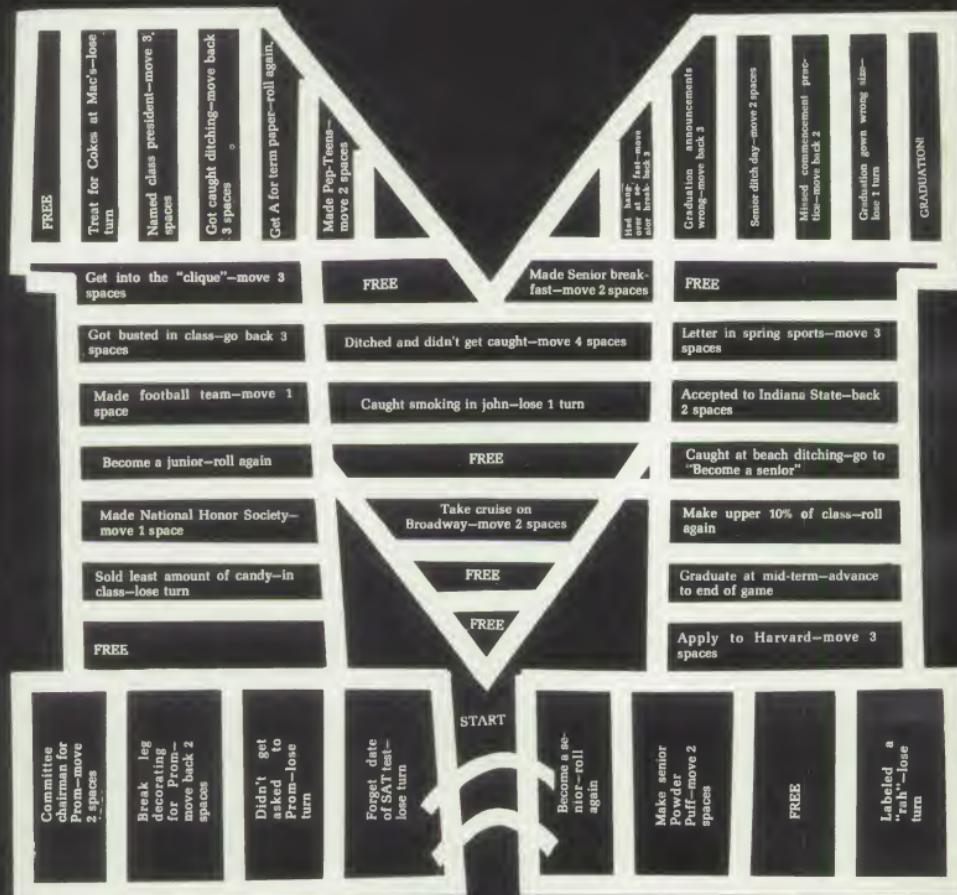
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Roseann Magda

The 1973 MERRILLVUE staff owes special thanks to many people. Mr. Richard James, our first advisor, worked with us during 1972, but difficulties with the administration, the school board, and the Indiana State Teachers' Association prevented him from finishing the year. Ms. Betsy Ross succeeded him and managed to complete the year. MHS senior Darlene Danchi dried up a Flair designing our cover, one of the best a Merrillville annual has ever had. George Kingsley of Paragon gave us the good advice we needed and the bills we didn't need. Our contract photographers were Walingers' Studios and Root Photographers. The strike pictures are published courtesy of the Herald Newspapers, Dennis Crane, photographer.



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